The State of Wisconsin

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER #184

Relating to the Creation of the Future of the Family Commission

WHEREAS, strong, stable families are the foundation for a prosperous society and help lift individuals out of poverty; and

WHEREAS, both single-parent and two-parent families face unique challenges in contemporary society; and

WHEREAS, certain programs and policies may present obstacles to families of all forms, ultimately preventing positive outcomes for families, individuals, and society; and

WHEREAS, well-designed policies may assist parents and children in establishing the life skills needed to leave behind poverty and be productive, successful citizens, and the State has a role in analyzing and developing policies that strengthen and lift up all families;

NOW THEREFORE, I, SCOTT WALKER, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of this State, do hereby establish the **Future of the Family Commission** and order as follows:

1. The Future of the Family Commission shall operate as a nonstatutory committee pursuant to 14.019 of the Wisconsin Statutes, for the purpose of identifying issues and barriers relating to the overall wellbeing of families in the State, developing policies that lift individuals out of poverty, and developing and recommending polices for implementation to better serve Wisconsin's families throughout the future.

2. The Secretary of the Department of Children and Families shall serve as chair of the Commission and shall appoint all other members of the Commission. The Secretary may create subcommittees as necessary to achieve the goals of the Commission. The Department of Children and Families shall provide staff support to the Commission.

3. The Commission shall submit to the Governor a final report containing its findings and recommendations no later than December 1, 2016, and the Commission shall dissolve upon the submission of its final report.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this twenty-fifth day of January, in the year two thousand sixteen.

SCOTT WALKER
Governor

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State