

Passing of former Lt. Gov. Margaret Farrow

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MADISON — Gov. Tony Evers Tuesday released a statement regarding the passing of former Lt. Gov. Margaret Farrow who passed away today, March 8, 2022, at the age of 87.



“Kathy and I are very saddened to hear of the passing of former Lieutenant Governor Margaret Farrow, whose distinguished career and service to the people of Wisconsin will go down in our state’s history books. Former Lieutenant Governor Farrow and I served on the Board of Regents together, and I was always grateful for her perspective and her kindness,” said Gov. Evers. “We offer our deepest sympathies and respects to her husband, John, County Executive Farrow, all the members of the Farrow family, as well as the many friends, neighbors, and colleagues who knew and loved her. We are thinking of them and wish them peace in mourning her loss.”

Former Lt. Gov. Farrow, mother of Waukesha County Executive Paul Farrow, served as the 42nd lieutenant governor of the state of Wisconsin under former Gov. Scott McCallum in 2001, making her the first woman to hold the position in Wisconsin state history. Prior to her service as lieutenant governor, she served for more than a decade in the Wisconsin State Legislature, including terms in both the Wisconsin State Assembly (1986-1989) and the Wisconsin State Senate (1989-2001). She also served on the University of Wisconsin Board of Regents (2013-2017).

A forthcoming executive order will lower the U.S. and Wisconsin flags to honor former Lt. Gov. Farrow when funeral arrangements have been announced.