



THE STATE OF GEORGIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER

BY THE GOVERNOR:

FLAGS ON STATE BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS ORDERED LOWERED TO HALF STAFF

WHEREAS: Six years ago, on a beautiful, sunny morning, the citizens of our great nation watched in horror as two planes crashed into the World Trade Center Towers in New York City, another plane crashed into a field in Pennsylvania, and yet another plane crashed into the Pentagon; and

WHEREAS: We witnessed a great coming together of people from across this country who offered up their thoughts and prayers for all those firefighters, police officers, other public safety workers, and even those ordinary citizens who worked so heroically and diligently to save the lives of the innocent victims of the unspeakable acts of some cowardly terrorists; and

WHEREAS: As our country is still embroiled in efforts to curtail the possibilities of future attacks, we need to continue to pray for and support the men and women of our Armed Forces as they persist in their efforts to defend the freedoms enjoyed by all Americans; and

WHEREAS: To honor the memories of those who lost their lives and to commemorate this sad event in our nation's history, by a joint resolution approved on December 18, 2001 (Public Law 107-89), the United States Congress has designated September 11 of each year as "Patriot Day".

**NOW, THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED
IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS
HEREBY**

ORDERED: That the State of Georgia recognize September 11, 2007, as Patriot Day whereupon I join the President of the United States of America in calling upon all Georgians to display the

American Flag at half-staff from their homes on that day and to observe a moment of silence beginning at 8:46 a.m. eastern daylight time to honor the innocent Americans and people from around the world who lost their lives as a result of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED:

That on Patriot Day, September 11, 2007, the American Flag and the Flag of the Great State of Georgia shall be flown on all state buildings and grounds, throughout the State of Georgia, at half-staff until sunset.

This 7th day of September, 2007.


GOVERNOR