Flags at Half-Staff—Immanuel James Washington

WHEREAS, on July 19, 2018, Immanuel James Washington passed away at the age of 38;

WHEREAS, a native of Franklin, Louisiana, Mr. Washington attended Willow Street Elementary, Hanson Memorial High and Centerville High Schools;

WHEREAS, Mr. Washington attended Jones Junior College, the University of Southwestern Louisiana (now the University of Louisiana at Lafayette), where he played on the university’s basketball team, and the University of Phoenix, where he obtained his degree in Criminal Justice;

WHEREAS, Mr. Washington’s legacy is one of service, as his career led him to serve his community through his work with the New Iberia Sheriff’s Department, Broussard Police Department, St. Mary Parish Sheriff’s DEA, Youngsville Police Department, and most recently the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, where he was an agent cadet;

WHEREAS, Agent Cadet Washington is survived by his wife, Lakesha Cole Washington and their two children, Immanuel James Washington, II and Koryn Marie Washington, as well as his parents, siblings, and numerous nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, and god-children; and

WHEREAS, Immanuel James Washington’s life of dedication and service to his community will leave a significant impact on the people of Louisiana for generations to come.

NOW THEREFORE, I, JOHN BEL EDWARDS, Governor of the State of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: As an expression of respect and to honor the life of Immanuel James Washington, the flags of the United States and the State of Louisiana shall be flown at half-staff over the State Capitol and all public buildings and institutions of the State of Louisiana until sunset on Tuesday, July 31, 2018.

SECTION 2: This Order is effective upon signature and shall remain in effect until sunset, Tuesday, July 31, 2018, unless amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded prior to that date.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this 31st day of July, 2018.