

## **EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT**

## EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER JBE 2021 – 4

## FLAGS AT HALF-STAFF – STEPHEN FRANK "STEVE" CARTER

WHEREAS, Stephen Frank "Steve" Carter, a former distinguished member of the

Louisiana Legislature, died at the age of 77 on Tuesday, January 26, 2021;

WHEREAS, he is survived by his wife of 44 years, Gloria Solomon Carter; their two

children, Amelia and Stephen; and several grandchildren;

WHEREAS, he served his nation honorably in the United States Air Force from 1967 to

1971, attaining the rank of Captain;

WHEREAS, after his military service, he joined the Athletic Department of Louisiana

State University as head tennis coach, leading the Tigers to an SEC championship and twice earning the honor of being named SEC Coach of the Year; in 1979 he gave further to his community when he founded and led the Pelican Tennis Camp, which provided over 10,000 youth from throughout the South the opportunity to develop their athletic and leadership

skills;

WHEREAS, he served his state and his home of East Baton Rouge Parish in the

Louisiana Legislature for twelve years, first elected to the House of

Representatives in 2007, and serving for three terms until 2020; and

WHEREAS. Steve Carter lived his life with integrity and honor, and his public service

as a lawmaker to the State of Louisiana will long be remembered.

**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 for Stephen Frank "Steve" Carter, the flags of

the United States and the State of Louisiana shall be flown at half-staff over

the State Capitol from sunrise until sunset on Friday, January 29, 2021.

**SECTION 2:** This Order is effective upon signature and shall remain in effect until sunset,

Friday, January 29, 2021.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana in the City of Baton Rouge, on this 28<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2021.

GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA

ATTEST BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE

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