EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 17-10

FLAGS AT HALF-STAFF – HONORABLE MICHAEL LEE TINNERELLO

WHEREAS, a lifelong resident of Winnfield, Louisiana, the Honorable Michael Lee Tinnerello died on April 5, 2017, at the age of 72;

WHEREAS, elected to the Louisiana House of Representatives from 1984 to 1988 to represent District 13 for the Parishes of Jackson, Bienville, and Winn, he remained an active figure in Louisiana politics for the remainder of his life, where his persuasive and effective advocacy will be sorely missed;

WHEREAS, he was a persuasive force in his efforts to provide support to and attract more businesses to the State; his district received more economic development grants than almost any other district during his tenure as state representative;

WHEREAS, Representative Tinnerello was known for his commitment to his community, which included service as a board member of the Louisiana Political Hall of Fame and Museum, Board of Elections Supervisors, Board of Winn Parish Community Health Center, and as Chairman of the Winn Parish Democratic Executive Committee and the Winn Parish Ducks Unlimited;

WHEREAS, while many love to tell stories about the remarkable reputation he enjoyed as an all-around athlete on the field in his youth—he signed a football scholarship with the University of Southwestern Louisiana and also played on two conference championship baseball teams after transferring to Northeast Louisiana University—he also inspired countless young minds off the field in his 16 years of experience teaching and coaching;

WHEREAS, an avid duck hunter and a man devoted to his faith as a member of First Baptist Church of Winnfield, Representative Tinnerello will be missed tremendously by those who knew him, and, thanks to a lifetime of dedication to improving the State of Louisiana, the community he loved so dearly will forever be impacted by his service.

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 Michael Lee Tinnerello, the flags of the United States and the State of Louisiana shall be flown at half-staff over the State Capitol on Friday, April 7, 2017.

SECTION 2: This Order is effective upon signature and shall remain in effect until sunset, Friday, April 7, 2017.

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 6th day of April, 2017.

GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA

ATTEST BY
THE GOVERNOR

SECRETARY OF STATE