EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER JBE 2016 – 61

FLAGS AT HALF-STAFF – SENATOR JACKSON BEAUREGARD DAVIS

WHEREAS, former state senator Jackson Beauregard Davis died on August 22, 2016, at the age of 98;

WHEREAS, he received his law degree from Louisiana State University in 1940, where he served as a member of the first law review and was elected President of the Law School student body;

WHEREAS, he served in the U.S. Navy during World War II, and was a part of the intelligence staff of the U.S. Pacific Fleet stationed at Pearl Harbor at the time of the attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941;

WHEREAS, Senator Davis was elected to the State Senate in 1956 and served six consecutive terms representing citizens in north Louisiana until 1980;

WHEREAS, among his accomplishments, many credit Senator Davis for being instrumental in the establishment of LSU-Shreveport in 1967;

WHEREAS, widely-known as a man of integrity, he received the 2006 Professionalism Award from the Shreveport Bar Association;

WHEREAS, Senator Davis and his wife were also known for combining their efforts to improve and celebrate Louisiana; they were among the founding members of Holiday in Dixie, and, in 2011, they endowed the Rosemary Slattery and Jackson B. Davis Professorship at the LSU Law School to help educate and train future generations of lawyers;

WHEREAS, deeply involved in the community as a member of many civic and social organizations, he served as a member of the Sons of the American Revolution, the Kiwanis Club, the Plantation Ball and the Pearl Harbor Survivors Group;

WHEREAS, Senator Davis’ thoughtful knowledge of and appreciation for the law is a legacy which will inspire future generations of lawyers.

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 Senator Jackson Beauregard Davis, the flags of the United States and the State of Louisiana shall be flown at half-staff over the State Capitol on Wednesday, August 31, 2016.
SECTION 2: This Order is effective upon signature and shall remain in effect until sunset, Wednesday, August 31, 2016.

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 30th day of August, 2016.

GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA

ATTEST BY
THE GOVERNOR

SECRETARY OF STATE