

State of Louisiana

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 17-34

FLAGS AT HALF-STAFF – HONORABLE JAMES J. “JIM” BRADY

- WHEREAS,** the Honorable James J. “Jim” Brady died on December 9, 2017, at the age of 73;
- WHEREAS,** Judge Brady was a native of Missouri, and after moving with his family to Louisiana, graduated from Southeastern Louisiana College and Louisiana State University Law School;
- WHEREAS,** prior to his confirmation as a United States District Court Judge for the Middle District of Louisiana in 2000, Judge Brady was a practitioner for over thirty years, a member of the Louisiana Board of Tax Appeals, an adjunct professor at Louisiana State University, and chairman of the Louisiana Democratic Party;
- WHEREAS,** of his many achievements in seventeen years as a federal judge, Judge Brady’s resolution of a fifty-year-old school desegregation case in 2003 stands as one for which he received widespread acclaim and recognition;
- WHEREAS,** Judge Brady was known to be an honorable man and a widely respected jurist who dedicated his career to public service for his state and country;
- WHEREAS,** Judge Brady devoted his life, before and during his career on the bench, to ensuring justice and equitable treatment for every person;
- WHEREAS,** Judge Brady counted among his friends Presidents of the United States, many Governors and U.S. Senators, he was, nonetheless, known for his modesty and many small acts of kindness and compassion; and
- WHEREAS,** Judge Brady is survived by his loving family; his wife of over fifty years, Karen, his son, Sean, his daughter, Missy, and two grandchildren, Sawyer and Noah.

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 Honorable James J. “Jim” Brady, the flags of the United States and the State of Louisiana shall be flown at half-staff over the State Capitol and all state buildings on Friday, December 15, 2017.
- SECTION 2:** This Order is effective upon signature and shall remain in effect until sunset, Friday, December 15, 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 13th day of December, 2017.

GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA

**ATTEST BY THE
SECRETARY OF STATE**

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