EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER JBE 2022-14

FLAGS AT HALF-STAFF – FORMER STATE SENATOR LYNN BLACKWELL DEAN

WHEREAS, Lynn Blackwell Dean, a former distinguished member of the Senate of the Louisiana Legislature, died on July 6, 2022, at the age of 98;

WHEREAS, he is survived by his loving wife of 75 years, Jacqueline Miles Dean; their son Douglas and daughter Cherry; ten grandchildren; and 28 great-grandchildren;

WHEREAS, born in eastern Arkansas in 1923, Dean moved with his family at a young age to New Orleans, where he graduated from Warren Easton High School in 1940;

WHEREAS, Dean was a pioneering entrepreneur in Louisiana’s maritime petroleum services business, founding Elevating Boats, Inc., and inventing the modern liftboat with his brother Orrin in 1955;

WHEREAS, he served his home of St. Bernard Parish as a member of its School Board for ten years, and served as St. Bernard’s first Parish President from 1992 to 1996; he further served his state and the first Louisiana Senatorial District Louisiana Senate for eight years, from 1996 to 2004, fighting tirelessly to represent the interests of the people of his district; and

WHEREAS, Lynn Blackwell Dean lived a tremendous life of faith, industry, and honor, and his service as a public servant and lawmaker to the State of Louisiana and the United States 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 and to honor Lynn Blackwell Dean, 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 from sunrise Friday, July 15, until sunset on Saturday, July 16, 2022.

SECTION 2: This Order is effective upon signature and shall remain in effect until sunset, July 16, 2022.

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 15th day of July, 2022.

ATTEST BY THE
SECRETARY OF STATE

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