

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 127

WHEREAS, former Attorney General of New Jersey and former Speaker of the New Jersey General Assembly William F. Hyland was an exceptional public servant, devoting over twenty years of his life to serving the people of New Jersey as Attorney General of New Jersey; Speaker of the New Jersey General Assembly; President of the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities; the first Chairman of the New Jersey State Commission of Investigation; and Chairman of the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority; and

WHEREAS, William Hyland was born on July 30, 1923, in Burlington, New Jersey, and was a resident of the Parkside section of Camden, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, William Hyland attended the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania and the University of Pennsylvania Law School and was admitted to the New Jersey Bar in 1949; and

WHEREAS, William Hyland served as a Lieutenant Junior Grade in the United States Navy during World War II, participating in Atlantic convoy duty and in the invasions of Iwo Jima and Luzon; and

WHEREAS, William Hyland began his extraordinary career of public service by being elected as a member of the New Jersey General Assembly, serving from 1954 to 1961, and serving as Assembly Speaker in 1958; and

WHEREAS, William Hyland was nominated by Governor Robert B. Meyner to the State Board of Public Utilities in 1961, where he served until 1968; and

WHEREAS, William Hyland was nominated by Governor Richard J. Hughes to be the first Chairman of the New Jersey State Commission of Investigation, which was established in 1968; and

WHEREAS, William Hyland was nominated by Governor-elect Brendan Byrne as Attorney General of New Jersey in December 1973, and served as Attorney General of New Jersey from 1974 to 1978; and

WHEREAS, William Hyland continued his dedication to the people of New Jersey after his tenure as Attorney General, serving as Chairman of the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority; and

WHEREAS, in addition to being a distinguished public servant, William Hyland was a respected attorney, first as the founder of Hyland, David and Reberkenny in Camden, New Jersey, and later with Riker, Danzig, Scherer, Hyland and Perretti in Morristown, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, William Hyland was also a renowned musician, playing the clarinet with the Paul Whitman Orchestra, Cherry Hill Wind Symphony, Cherry Hill Musicrafters, and other local orchestras, and performing with each of the members of the original Benny Goodman Quartet; and

WHEREAS, it is with deep sadness that we honor the memory and mourn the passing of former Speaker of the New Jersey General Assembly and former Attorney General of New Jersey William F. Hyland and extend sympathy to his family, his many friends, and his colleagues;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRIS CHRISTIE, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and by the Statutes of this State, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. The flag of the United States of America and the flag of New Jersey shall be flown at half-staff at all State departments, offices, agencies, and instrumentalities during

appropriate hours on Monday, March 11, 2013, in recognition and mourning of the passing of former Speaker of the New Jersey General Assembly and former Attorney General of New Jersey William F. Hyland.

2. This Order shall take effect immediately.

GIVEN, under my hand and seal this
7th day of March,
Two Thousand and Thirteen,
and of the Independence of
the United States, the Two
Hundred and Thirty-Seventh.

[seal]

/s/Chris Christie

Governor

Attest:

/s/Paul B. Matey

Deputy Chief Counsel to the Governor