

Governor Phil Murphy

Governor Murphy Directs the Lowering of U.S. and New Jersey Flags in Honor of Sergeant William Rivers

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TRENTON— Governor Phil Murphy today signed Executive Order No. 353, ordering U.S. and New Jersey flags to fly at half-staff on Tuesday, February 6, 2024 in honor of United States Army Reserve Sergeant William Jerome Rivers. A Willingboro native, Rivers was among the three U.S. Army soldiers killed in a terrorist attack at a Jordan military base on Sunday, January 28.

"Our servicemembers are the best of us, bravely putting their lives on the line to protect our nation and our democracy," **said Governor Murphy**. "Sergeant Rivers was a decorated soldier leaving behind an incredible legacy embodying our American ideals, and his sacrifice serves as a reminder of the great debt we owe our military families. Our hearts go out to the loved ones of Sergeant Rivers, Specialist Sanders, Specialist Moffett, and we are wishing a quick recovery to the dozens of U.S. soldiers who were injured in this heinous attack."

For a copy of Executive Order No. 353, [click here](#)

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