

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 48

WHEREAS, Senator John Dorsey was born John H. Dorsey on December 26, 1937, in Newark, New Jersey, and was a longtime resident of Boonton; and

WHEREAS, Senator Dorsey graduated from Yale College and Yale Law School, served six years as a member of the United States Army Reserves, and worked as an Assistant Morris County Counsel; and

WHEREAS, Senator Dorsey was elected to the New Jersey General Assembly in 1975 and served as an Assemblyman from 1976 to 1978, during which time he served on the Assembly Taxation Committee; and

WHEREAS, Senator Dorsey was elected to the New Jersey Senate in 1977 and served there from 1978 to 1994; and

WHEREAS, Senator Dorsey spent portions of his time in the Senate leading the Republican caucus, both as Minority Leader and Majority Leader; and

WHEREAS, Senator Dorsey advanced many important causes during his time as a public servant, including consumer safety; and

WHEREAS, Senator Dorsey founded a law firm, Dorsey & Semrau LLC; and

WHEREAS, Senator Dorsey remained involved in his community through his private legal practice as an advisor to several government agencies and municipalities, with particularly noteworthy relationships with Hanover and Mount Olive Townships and the Morris County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund; and

WHEREAS, Senator Dorsey was a beloved husband and father, whose presence will be missed by his family, his friends, his colleagues, and by the people of New Jersey whom he served well; and

WHEREAS, it is with immense sadness that we mourn Senator Dorsey's passing, and extend our deepest sympathy to his family, friends, and colleagues; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to honor the exemplary character, outstanding achievements, and cherished memory of Senator John H. Dorsey, and to mark his passing;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PHILIP D. MURPHY, 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 Friday, December 21, 2018, in recognition and mourning of a committed public servant, Senator John H. Dorsey.

2. This Order shall take effect immediately.

GIVEN, under my hand and seal this
20th day of December,
Two Thousand and Eighteen,
and of the Independence of
the United States, the Two
Hundred and Forty-Third.

[seal]

/s/ Philip D. Murphy
Governor

Attest:

/s/ Matthew J. Platkin

Chief Counsel to the Governor