

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 206

WHEREAS, New Jersey State Trooper Sean Cullen was born in Dublin, Ireland, and emigrated to the United States with his family when he was a child; and

WHEREAS, Trooper Cullen was a resident of Cinnaminson, New Jersey, and graduated from Cinnaminson High School in 2003; and

WHEREAS, Trooper Cullen subsequently became a police officer, serving in the Sea Isle City, Mount Holly, and Westampton Township Police Departments; and

WHEREAS, in 2014, Trooper Cullen joined the New Jersey State Police as a graduate of the 154th Class of the New Jersey State Police Academy, and was assigned to Bellmawr Station; and

WHEREAS, on March 8, 2016, Trooper Cullen tragically passed away following a motor vehicle accident that occurred while he was on duty and responding to an incident; and

WHEREAS, at the time of his passing, Trooper Cullen was engaged to be married, and was further a loving and devoted father, son, and brother, whose memory will live on in the hearts of his family, friends, and colleagues; and

WHEREAS, Trooper Cullen made the ultimate sacrifice on behalf of the citizens of this State, and served with courage, professionalism, and a commitment to the finest ideals and traditions of the New Jersey State Police; and

WHEREAS, it is with profound sadness that we mourn the loss of Trooper Cullen, and we extend our sincere sympathy to his family, friends, and fellow law enforcement officers; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate and fitting for the State of New Jersey to mark Trooper Cullen's passing and to honor his memory;

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 14, 2016 in recognition and in mourning of a brave and loyal hero, New Jersey State Trooper Sean Cullen.

2. Furthermore, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:3-12, the flag of the United States of America and the flag of New Jersey shall be flown at half-staff at the State House during appropriate hours in recognition of the life and in mourning of the passing of Trooper Sean Cullen.

3. This Order shall take effect immediately.

GIVEN, under my hand and seal this
 11th day of March,
 Two Thousand and Sixteen, and
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 United States, the Two
 Hundred and Fortieth.

[seal]

/s/ Chris Christie
 Governor

Attest:

/s/ Scott A. Coffina

Senior Deputy Chief Counsel to the Governor