

**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO.**

**2021-33**

**WHEREAS**, the undersigned has been notified of the passing of Lucille Simmons Whipper, who dutifully served as a member of the South Carolina House of Representatives; and

**WHEREAS**, in addition to her service as a member of the South Carolina House of Representatives, Lucille Simmons Whipper previously served the State of South Carolina as a member of the South Carolina Human Affairs Commission, a member of the South Carolina Mental Health Commission, an administrator at the College of Charleston, and in various other capacities over the course of her extensive career in public service and public education; and

**WHEREAS**, Lucille Simmons Whipper was a dedicated public servant, passionate educator, tireless community advocate, and principled leader, and her passing warrants the people of this State further recognizing and appropriately honoring her extraordinary legacy and lifetime of service to the State of South Carolina; and

**WHEREAS**, Title 4, Section 7(m) of the United States Code, as amended, provides that “[i]n the event of the death of a present or former official of the government of any State, . . . the Governor of that State . . . may proclaim that the National flag shall be flown at half-staff”; and

**WHEREAS**, section 10-1-161(E) of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended, provides that “upon the death of a person of extraordinary stature, the Governor may order that the flags atop the State Capitol Building be lowered to half-staff at a designated time or for a designated period of time.”

**NOW, THEREFORE**, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of South Carolina and pursuant to the Constitution and Laws of this State and of these United States and the powers conferred upon me therein, I hereby order that the flags atop the State Capitol Building be lowered to half-staff from sunrise until sunset on Saturday, September 4, 2021, in

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honor of Lucille Simmons Whipper and in recognition of her extraordinary legacy and lifetime of service to the State of South Carolina. This Order is effective immediately.

**GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE  
GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA, THIS 3rd DAY OF  
SEPTEMBER, 2021.**

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**HENRY MCMASTER**  
Governor

ATTEST:

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MARK HAMMOND  
Secretary of State