EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2020-52

WHEREAS, the undersigned has been notified of the passing of Matthew James Clancy, Chief of Police for the Beaufort Police Department; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his distinguished service as Chief of Police for the Beaufort Police Department, Chief Clancy previously served the State of South Carolina in various other capacities over the course of his twenty-seven-year career in law enforcement, both with the Beaufort Police Department and with the Beaufort County Sheriff’s Office; and

WHEREAS, prior to his decorated and distinguished law enforcement career, Chief Clancy served honorably in the United States Marine Corps; and

WHEREAS, Chief Clancy was a dedicated public servant, principled leader, and beloved father and family man, and his passing warrants the people of this State further recognizing and appropriately honoring his extraordinary legacy and lifetime of service to the State of South Carolina; 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 Friday, August 7, 2020, in
honor of Chief Clancy and in recognition of his extraordinary legacy and lifetime of service to the State of South Carolina. This Order is effective immediately.


HENRY MCMASTER
Governor

ATTEST:

MARK HAMMOND
Secretary of State