## EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2020-74

**WHEREAS,** the undersigned has been notified of the passing of Judge G. Ross Anderson, Jr., Senior United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina; and

**WHEREAS,** in addition to his tenure on the United States District Court for the District of South Carolina, Judge Anderson previously served as a member of the South Carolina House of Representatives; and

**WHEREAS,** prior to his accomplished legal career and nearly forty years of distinguished and patriotic federal judicial service, Judge Anderson served honorably in the United States Air Force; and

WHEREAS, Judge Anderson was a remarkable individual, respected jurist, accomplished lawyer, revered son of the City of Anderson, and devoted father and family man, and his passing warrants the people of this State further recognizing and appropriately honoring his extraordinary legacy and lifetime of distinguished service to the State of South Carolina and the United States of America; 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 Sunday, December 6, 2020, in honor of Judge Anderson and in recognition of his extraordinary legacy and lifetime of distinguished

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service to the State of South Carolina and the United States of America. This Order is effective immediately.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, THIS 4th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2020.

HENRY MCMASTER Governor

ATTEST:

MARK HAMMOND

Secretary of State