

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO.

2023-25

WHEREAS, the undersigned has been notified of the passing of Sheriff Douglas Pernell, Sr., who dutifully served as Sheriff of Dillon County from January of 2021 until the time of his passing; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his tenure as Sheriff of Dillon County, Sheriff Pernell previously served the people of the State of South Carolina and the residents of Dillon County in various other capacities over the course of his distinguished career in law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Pernell was a dedicated public servant, principled leader, and decorated law enforcement officer, and his passing warrants the people of this State further recognizing and appropriately honoring his extraordinary legacy and lifetime of distinguished service; 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 be lowered to half-staff from sunrise until sunset on Sunday, August 13, 2023, in honor

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of Sheriff Pernell and in recognition of his 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 11th DAY
OF AUGUST, 2023.**

HENRY MCMASTER
Governor

ATTEST:

MARK HAMMOND
Secretary of State