## EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2025-39

**WHEREAS**, the undersigned has been notified of the passing of former Vice President Richard B. Cheney, who dutifully served as the forty-sixth Vice President of the United States of America; and

**WHEREAS,** in addition to his service as Vice President of the United States, Vice President Cheney previously served as a member of the United States House of Representatives, Secretary of Defense, and White House Chief of Staff, and in many other public roles; and

**WHEREAS**, throughout his lifetime of public service, Vice President Cheney, a good and honorable man, provided stability and sound counsel to Presidents and other leaders; and

**WHEREAS,** section 10-1-161 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended, provides that "[t]he flags atop the State Capitol Building must be flown at half-staff... from the date of death through the date of interment of... a former Vice President"; and

**WHEREAS,** Title 4, Section 7(m) of the United States Code, as amended, provides that "[t]he flag shall be flown at half-staff . . . from the day of death until interment of . . . a former Vice President."

**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

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United States and the powers conferred upon me therein, I hereby order that the flags atop the State Capitol and on all state buildings be lowered to half-staff until the date of the interment of Vice President Cheney, in tribute to his lifetime of distinguished and patriotic service to the United States of America. I request that all flags over the buildings of the political subdivisions of this State similarly be flown at half-staff for this purpose. This Order is effective immediately.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, THIS 5th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2025.

HENRY DARGAN MCMASTER
Governor

ATTEST:

MARK HAMMOND
Secretary of State