

THE STATE OF GEORGIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER

BY THE GOVERNOR:

FLAGS ON ALL STATE BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS ORDERED LOWERED TO HALF STAFF

WHEREAS:

Today the State of Georgia mourns the loss of former Governor Zell Miller of Young Harris, Georgia, who passed away at the age of 86. As a young man, Zell Miller enlisted in the United States Marine Corps, where he attained the rank of sergeant; and

WHEREAS:

After his service in the military, Zell Miller enrolled at the University of Georgia, where he earned a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in history. After graduation, he worked as a professor of political science and history at Young Harris College. He was elected mayor of Young Harris while serving as a faculty member; and

WHEREAS:

Zell Miller faithfully served Georgia citizens as a member of the State Senate and as the Lieutenant Governor, a position he held for 16 years. He was later elected Governor of this state and in July of 2000 he was appointed to the United States Senate; and

WHEREAS:

During his time as Governor from 1991-1999, Zell Miller spearheaded the creation of Georgia's HOPE Scholarship Program, which continues to provide greater opportunities for Georgia students to pursue higher education; and

WHEREAS:

Zell Miller helped welcome the world to Georgia during the 1996 Summer Olympic Games; and

WHEREAS:

After leaving office, Zell Miller returned to teaching and writing, and remained active in public affairs; and

WHEREAS:

Zell Miller will be remembered as a dutiful son, a loving husband, and a proud father and grandfather. His legacy is unequaled and his accomplishments in public service are innumerable.

Now, therefore, in honor and memory of the Honorable Zell Miller, and pursuant to the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Georgia, it is hereby

ORDERED:

That the flag of the United States and the flag of the Great State of Georgia be flown at half-staff on all state buildings and grounds from this date until sunset on the day of his interment.

This 23RD day of March, 2018.

GOVERNOR