



# THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## EXECUTIVE ORDER

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BY THE GOVERNOR:

### **FLAGS ON STATE BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS ORDERED LOWERED TO HALF-STAFF**

**WHEREAS:** Neil Alden Armstrong is a beloved icon of American history having been the mission commander of the *Apollo 11* moon landing in 1969 and the first person to set foot on the Moon; and

**WHEREAS:** Prior to becoming an astronaut, Armstrong honorably served the United States of America as a Naval Officer in the Korean War and as a U.S. Navy pilot and test pilot; and

**WHEREAS:** The American people should always remember Neil Armstrong's contributions to space exploration and his famous quote, "That's one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind."

**NOW, THEREFORE, IN HONOR AND AS A MARK OF RESPECT FOR THE MEMORY OF NEIL A. ARMSTRONG, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY**

**ORDERED:** That, in honor of Neil Armstrong and in conjunction with the Proclamation of the President of the United States of America, the flag of the United States and the flag of the State of Georgia shall be flown at half-staff on all state buildings and grounds on Friday, August 31, 2012, the day of Mr. Armstrong's interment, until sunset.

This 28<sup>TH</sup> day of August, 2012.

GOVERNOR