



# THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## EXECUTIVE ORDER

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BY THE GOVERNOR:

### **FLAGS ON STATE CAPITOL BUILDING AND GROUNDS ORDERED LOWERED TO HALF STAFF**

**WHEREAS:** On Tuesday, September 11, 2012, protestors stormed the U.S. Consulate in Benghazi, Libya, killing United States Ambassador to Libya John Christopher Stevens, and three other Americans; and

**WHEREAS:** The people of Georgia share the grief of the families and friends of those who were injured or killed, and we pray for their comfort and healing in the days to come; and

**WHEREAS:** During this difficult time it is important to remember those who serve our country in many different capacities around the world and pray for their safety and well-being; and

**WHEREAS:** The President of the United States has ordered that the flag of the United States be flown at half-staff on government buildings and grounds.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IN HONOR AND AS A MARK OF RESPECT FOR THOSE AFFECTED BY THIS TRAGEDY, 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 flag of the Great State of Georgia be flown at half-staff on the State Capitol building and grounds from this date until sunset, September 16, 2012.

This 13<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2012.

*Nathan Deal*

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**GOVERNOR**