



# 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 Wednesday, December 7, 2016, Americus Police Department Officer Nicholas Ryan Smarr was killed in the line of duty while responding to a domestic call; and

**WHEREAS:** Officer Smarr was committed to public safety having previously served as a corrections officer in Telfair County, as a police officer in McRae and Vienna, and as a deputy with the Sumter County Sheriff's Department; and

**WHEREAS:** It is fitting and proper to recognize the sacrifice made by Officer Smarr, and to remember all our law enforcement officers who put their lives on the line each and every day as they uphold their commitment to protect the communities and people they serve.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IN HONOR AND AS A MARK OF RESPECT FOR THE MEMORY OF OFFICER NICHOLAS RYAN SMARR, 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 until sunset, Sunday, December 11, 2016, the day of Officer Smarr's interment.

This 9<sup>TH</sup> day of December, 2016.

*Nathan Deal*

GOVERNOR