

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 54

WHEREAS, United States Army Private First Class Benjamin G. Moore was raised in Bordentown, New Jersey and graduated from Bordentown Regional High School in 2006; and

WHEREAS, inspired to public service in the aftermath of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks, Private First Class Moore trained to serve as a volunteer firefighter and emergency medical technician and thereafter enlisted in the United States Army; and

WHEREAS, Private First Class Moore was assigned to the 693<sup>rd</sup> Engineer Company, 7<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion, 10<sup>th</sup> Sustainment Brigade, 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division at Fort Drum, New York; and

WHEREAS, in the service of his country, Private First Class Moore was deployed to Ghazni Province, Afghanistan to support ongoing efforts in Operation Enduring Freedom; and

WHEREAS, Private First Class Moore was an honorable and courageous young man who loved his country and the military; and

WHEREAS, Private First Class Moore tragically lost his life while heroically and selflessly serving his country in Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS, Private First Class Moore was a brave and dedicated soldier as well as a loving son and brother whose memory lives in the hearts of his family and fellow soldiers; and

WHEREAS, Private First Class Moore's heroism, patriotism, and service to his country make it appropriate and fitting for the State of New Jersey to remember him and his family, to mark his passing, and to honor his memory;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRIS CHRISTIE, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and by the Statutes of this State, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. The flag of the United States of America and the flag of New Jersey shall be flown at half-staff at all State departments, offices, agencies, and instrumentalities during appropriate hours on Monday, January 24, 2011 in recognition and mourning of a brave and loyal American hero, United States Army Private First Class Benjamin G. Moore.

2. This Order shall take effect immediately.

GIVEN, under my hand and seal this  
20<sup>th</sup> day of January,  
Two Thousand and Eleven,  
and of the Independence of  
the United States, the Two  
Hundred and Thirty-Fifth.

/s/ Chris Christie  
Governor

Attest:

/s/ Jeffrey S. Chiesa  
Chief Counsel to the Governor