WHEREAS, Waldwick Police Officer Christopher Goodell grew up in Waldwick, New Jersey, and was a 2000 graduate of Waldwick High School; and

WHEREAS, Officer Goodell served in the United States Marine Corps before joining the Waldwick Police Department, where he was a police officer for five years; and

WHEREAS, Officer Goodell was an experienced radar and traffic officer, as well as a member of the county traffic officers safety organization; and

WHEREAS, Officer Goodell was recognized by the state chapter of Mothers Against Drunk Drivers in June 2014 for his efforts to combat drunk driving; and

WHEREAS, Officer Goodell was thirty-two years old, and a loving and devoted son and fiancé; and

WHEREAS, Officer Goodell tragically lost his life in the line of duty while operating radar on Route 17; and

WHEREAS, Officer Goodell’s dedication to serving his nation and community makes it appropriate and fitting for the State of New Jersey to recognize his commitment to the welfare and safety of others, to mark his passing, to honor his memory, and to remember his family as they mourn their tragic loss; and

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 Tuesday, July 22, 2014, in recognition of
the life and in mourning of the passing of Police Officer Christopher Goodell.

2. Furthermore, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:3-12, the flag of the United States of America and the flag of New Jersey shall be flown at half-staff at the State House during appropriate hours in recognition of the life and in mourning of the passing of Police Officer Christopher Goodell.

3. This Order shall take effect immediately.

GIVEN, under my hand and seal this 18th day of July, Two Thousand and Fourteen, and of the Independence of the United States, the Two Hundred and Thirty-Ninth.

[seal]

/s/ Chris Christie

Governor

Attest:

/s/ Christopher S. Porrino

Chief Counsel to the Governor