

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 199

WHEREAS, New Jersey State Trooper Eli McCarson was born in Washington Township, New Jersey, and lived in Blackwood, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, Trooper McCarson joined the New Jersey State Police as a graduate of the 155th Class of the New Jersey State Police Academy on February 20, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Trooper McCarson was initially assigned to Port Norris Station, and then to Woodstown Station; and

WHEREAS, on December 17, 2015, Trooper McCarson tragically passed away following a motor vehicle accident that occurred while he was on duty and responding to an incident; and

WHEREAS, Trooper McCarson was a loving and devoted husband, son, and brother, whose memory will live in the hearts of his family, friends, and fellow members of the New Jersey State Police; and

WHEREAS, Trooper McCarson served his State with courage, professionalism, and commitment to the finest ideals and traditions of the New Jersey State Police; and

WHEREAS, it is with deep sadness that we mourn the loss of Trooper McCarson, and we extend our sincerest sympathy to his family, friends, and fellow members of the New Jersey State Police; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate and fitting for the State of New Jersey to mark Trooper McCarson's 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 Wednesday, December 23, 2015 in recognition and mourning of a brave and loyal hero, New Jersey State Trooper Eli McCarson, Badge 7775.

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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 Trooper Eli McCarson.

3. This Order shall take effect immediately.

GIVEN, under my hand and seal this
18th day of December, Two
Thousand and Fifteen, and of the
Independence of the United
States, the Two Hundred and
Fortieth.

[seal]

/s/ Chris Christie

Governor

Attest:

/s/ Thomas P. Scrivo

Chief Counsel to the Governor