WHEREAS, United States Army Sergeant Keith Buzinski was raised in Hamilton Township, New Jersey and attended township schools before moving to Daytona Beach, Florida in 2004; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Buzinski was assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 30th Infantry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division stationed out of Fort Polk, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Buzinski was an honorable and courageous young man who loved his country and the military; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Buzinski has received some of our nation’s highest military honors, including the Purple Heart and Bronze Star; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Buzinski tragically lost his life while heroically and selflessly serving his country in Afghanistan while deployed as part of Operation Enduring Freedom; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Buzinski was a brave and dedicated soldier as well as a loving husband, father, son, and brother whose memory lives in the hearts of his family and fellow soldiers; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Buzinski’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, May 2, 2011 in recognition and mourning of a brave and loyal American hero, United States Army Sergeant Keith Buzinski.

2. This Order shall take effect immediately.

GIVEN, under my hand and seal this 27th day of April, 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