EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 162

WHEREAS, on September 11, 2001, unprecedented terrorist attacks were launched on New York, Washington, D.C. and Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, more than one quarter of the victims of the September 11, 2001 attacks were New Jerseyans, with nearly seven hundred of our residents killed in the attacks; and

WHEREAS, thirteen years later, hundreds of New Jersey families must still cope with the devastating loss of a parent, spouse, child or other loved one; and

WHEREAS, this tragic event will be remembered by all New Jerseyans, as we continue to display today the patriotism that defines us as New Jerseyans and as Americans; and

WHEREAS, we remain grateful to our law enforcement communities and our Armed Forces for their invaluable sacrifices to protect us at home and abroad since the terrorist attacks; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this day be observed with full solemnity, in tribute to the thousands of innocent victims who perished in the attacks;

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 the State of New Jersey shall be flown at half-staff at all State departments, offices, agencies, instrumentalities and all public buildings during appropriate hours on Thursday, September 11, 2014 in recognition and mourning of all of those lost in the

September 11^{th} attacks, and particularly, those lost from our home State.

2. This Order shall take effect immediately.

GIVEN, under my hand and seal this 9th day of September,
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