

**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 129**

WHEREAS, on April 15, 2013, horrifying acts of violence were perpetrated at the Boston Marathon in Boston, Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS, these senseless acts victimized hundreds and devastated the City of Boston, and all of our Nation; and

WHEREAS, it is with profound sadness that we mourn the deaths, and the suffering, inflicted upon the City of Boston; and

WHEREAS, the people of the State of New Jersey pause today in unity with the people of the State of Massachusetts to mourn the devastating losses suffered by the families and loved ones of the fallen; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the victims, to honor their memories, and to mark their passing;

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, and instrumentalities during appropriate hours on Thursday, April 18, 2013, in recognition and mourning of the passing of the victims of the bombings that took place at the Boston Marathon.

2. This Order shall take effect immediately.

GIVEN, under my hand and seal this  
16<sup>th</sup> day of April,  
Two Thousand and Thirteen, and  
of the Independence of the  
United States, the Two Hundred  
and Thirty-Seventh.

[seal]

/s/Chris Christie

Governor

Attest:

/s/Charles B. McKenna

Chief Counsel to the Governor