EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 176

WHEREAS, United States Marine Captain Stanford H. Shaw III was a native of Basking Ridge, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, Captain Shaw attended Ridge High School where he served as student government president and captain of the lacrosse team; and

WHEREAS, Captain Shaw graduated from the United States
Naval Academy in 2006 and accepted a commission as a Marine
officer; and

WHEREAS, Captain Shaw was a dedicated and decorated Marine and the recipient of the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, Navy Unit Commendation, Navy Meritorious Unit Commendation, National Defense Service Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, and the Sea Service Deployment ribbon with two stars; and

WHEREAS, Captain Shaw was currently assigned to United States Marine Corps Forces, Special Operations Command, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, Captain Shaw tragically lost his life during a training exercise off the coast of Florida; and

WHEREAS, Captain Shaw's patriotism and dedicated service to his country and his fellow Marines make it appropriate and fitting for the State of New Jersey to remember him, 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, March 23, 2015, in recognition and mourning of a brave and loyal American hero, United States Marine Captain Stanford H. Shaw III.
 - 2. This Order shall take effect immediately.

GIVEN, under my hand and seal this 19th day of March,
Two Thousand and Fifteen, 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