EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 46

WHEREAS, United States Marine Lance Corporal Francisco R. Jackson was born in the Dominican Republic and raised in Elizabeth, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Jackson was assigned to the $1^{\rm st}$ Battalion, $11^{\rm th}$ Marine Regiment, $1^{\rm st}$ Marine Division, I Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Pendleton, California; and

WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Jackson has received some of our nation's highest military honors, including the Purple Heart, Combat Action Ribbon, National Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Sea Service Deployment Ribbon and Afghanistan Campaign Medal; and

WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Jackson was an ambitious and courageous young man who loved his country and the military; and

WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Jackson tragically lost his life while heroically and selflessly serving his country in Helmand province, Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Jackson was a dedicated Marine as well as a loving husband, father, son, and brother whose memory lives in the hearts of his family and fellow Marines; and

WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Jackson'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 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 Wednesday, November 3, 2010, in recognition and mourning of a brave and loyal American hero, United States Marine Lance Corporal Francisco R. Jackson.

2. This Order shall take effect immediately.

GIVEN, under my hand and seal this 28th day of October,
Two Thousand and Ten, 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