



# THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## EXECUTIVE ORDER

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BY THE GOVERNOR:

### **FLAGS ON STATE BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS ORDERED LOWERED TO HALF STAFF**

**WHEREAS:** Today the citizens of United States of America are shocked and dismayed at the tragic events that took place this morning at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Connecticut; and

**WHEREAS:** The people of Georgia share the grief of the families and friends of those who were injured or killed, and we pray for their comfort and healing in the days to come; and

**WHEREAS:** The President of the United States has ordered that the flag of the United States be flown at half-staff on government buildings and grounds.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IN HONOR AND AS A MARK OF RESPECT FOR THOSE AFFECTED BY THIS TRAGEDY, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY**

**ORDERED:** That in conjunction with the Proclamation of the President of the United States, the flag of the United States of America and flag of the Great State of Georgia shall be flown at half-staff on all state buildings and grounds from this date until sunset, Tuesday, December 18, 2012.

This 14<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2012.

*Nathan Deal*

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GOVERNOR