



THE STATE OF GEORGIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER

BY THE GOVERNOR:

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

- WHEREAS:** Today we pay respects to the Honorable Joseph Maxwell “Max” Cleland; and
- WHEREAS:** Max Cleland was born in Atlanta, grew up in Lithonia, Georgia, and received a master’s degree from Emory University; and
- WHEREAS:** During the Vietnam War, Cleland served honorably in the United States Army where he earned the Silver Star and the Bronze Star and was also severely injured by a grenade blast that resulted in the amputation of both his legs and right forearm; and
- WHEREAS:** Cleland served in the Georgia State Senate from 1971 to 1975, as administrator of the U.S. Veterans Administration under President Carter from 1977 to 1981, as Secretary of State of Georgia from 1982 to 1996, and as a United States Senator from 1997 to 2003; and
- WHEREAS:** It is fitting and proper to recognize Max Cleland’s lifetime of public service by lowering flags throughout Georgia to half-staff.

NOW, THEREFORE, IN HONOR AND MEMORY OF JOSEPH MAXWELL “MAX” CLELAND, AND PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY

- ORDERED:** That, the flag of the United States and the flag of the State of Georgia should be flown at half-staff on all state buildings and grounds on Monday, November 15, 2021, until sunset.

This 12TH day of November 2021.


GOVERNOR