



THE STATE OF GEORGIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER

BY THE GOVERNOR:

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

WHEREAS: The people of the State of Georgia mourn the passing of His Holiness Pope Francis; and

WHEREAS: Pope Francis' heart for all of God's creation encourages each of us to live out the Great Commandment to love our neighbor; and

WHEREAS: Our citizens share the grief of millions of Catholics and people of faith around the world for whom the Pope served as a spiritual leader and source of inspiration.

NOW, THEREFORE, IN HONOR AND AS A MARK OF RESPECT FOR THE MEMORY OF POPE FRANCIS, 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 be flown at half-staff on all state buildings and grounds from this date until sunset on Saturday, April 26, 2025, the day of Pope Francis' interment.

This 22nd day of April 2025.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B:lh', is written over a horizontal line.

GOVERNOR