

**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 179**

WHEREAS, Anthony Raspa, joined the New Jersey State Police as a graduate of the 152nd Class of the New Jersey State Police Academy on October 4, 2013, and was a member of Troop "C" stationed in Hamilton; and

WHEREAS, Trooper Raspa lived in Highland Park, New Jersey, graduated from Bishop George Ahr High School in 2008, then graduated from the University of Delaware in 2012; and

WHEREAS, Trooper Raspa served with exceptional courage, professionalism, and commitment to the finest ideals and traditions of the New Jersey State Police; and

WHEREAS, Trooper Raspa served proudly as part of the finest State Police force in the Nation; and

WHEREAS, Trooper Raspa was a loving son, brother, grandson, and cousin, whose memory lives in the hearts of his family, friends, fellow members of the New Jersey State Police, and all law enforcement officers; and

WHEREAS, Trooper Raspa has made the ultimate sacrifice, giving his life in the line of duty while protecting the citizens of the State of New Jersey and, therefore, it is appropriate and fitting for the State of New Jersey to mark his passing and to honor his memory; and

WHEREAS, it is with deep sadness that we mourn the loss of Trooper Raspa, and extend our sincere sympathy to his family, friends, and fellow members of the New Jersey State Police;

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 Thursday, June 4, 2015 in recognition and mourning of a brave and loyal hero, New Jersey State Trooper Anthony Raspa, Badge 7425.

2. Furthermore, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:3-12, the flag of the United States of America and the flag of New Jersey shall be flown at half-staff at the State House during appropriate hours in recognition of the life and in mourning of the passing of Trooper Anthony Raspa.

3. This Order shall take effect immediately.

GIVEN, under my hand and seal this  
1<sup>st</sup> day of June,  
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