WHEREAS, I have been notified of the passing of Master Deputy II Michael Robert Doty of the York County Sheriff's Office, who dutifully served as a law enforcement officer in this State and died in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, Master Deputy Doty dedicated his life to protecting and serving the people of the State of South Carolina and the residents of York County, both with the York Police Department and the York County Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, section 1-3-470 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended, authorizes the Governor, on the day of burial or other service for any firefighter or law enforcement officer in this State who died in the line of duty, to order that all flags on state buildings be lowered to half-staff in tribute to the deceased firefighter or law enforcement officer and to request that flags over the buildings of the political subdivisions of this State similarly be flown at half-staff for this purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of South Carolina and pursuant to the Constitution and Laws of this State and the powers conferred upon me therein, I hereby Order that all flags on state buildings be lowered to half-staff from sunup to sundown on Monday, January 22, 2018, in tribute to Master Deputy Doty, who died in the line of duty. I request that all flags over the buildings of the political subdivisions of this State similarly be flown at half-staff for this purpose. This Order is effective immediately.


HENRY McMASTERS
Governor

MARK HAMMOND
Secretary of State