

State of Missouri Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, Officer Tamarris L. Bohannon entered the St. Louis Police Training Academy on June 13, 2016, was assigned to the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department's 2nd District on January 5, 2017 as a Probationary Police Officer, and was promoted to Police Officer on January 5, 2018; and

WHEREAS, during his brief tenure with the department, Officer Bohannon distinguished himself as a courageous and committed officer, including twice being recognized with the Department Award of Excellence – for taking a bank robbery suspect into custody in December, 2018, and for his service with the Civil Disobedience Team during September, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Officer Bohannon was twice recognized as Officer of the Month – for his actions fighting violence, illegal drugs and threats to a South St. Louis neighborhood in September, 2018, and for his role in the investigation leading to the arrest of a suspect in the assault of an employee at a South St. Louis retail store; and

WHEREAS, on August 29, 2020, Officer Bohannon was on duty when he bravely responded to a shots fired call in the Tower Grove South neighborhood and was gravely wounded after being ambushed by a gunman; and

WHEREAS, on August 30, 2020, Officer Bohannon succumbed to his injuries; and

WHEREAS, law enforcement officers courageously and unselfishly strive to ensure the safety and well-being of their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, the people of the State of Missouri are thankful for the brave individuals in law enforcement who consider the welfare of others a personal responsibility and work tirelessly to protect the lives and property of their fellow citizens.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Governor Michel L. Parson, as a mark of respect for the line of duty death of

OFFICER TAMARRIS L. BOHANNON

and for his bravery and service to the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department, do hereby order that the flag of the United States and the flag of the State of Missouri shall be flown at half-staff at all government buildings in the independent City of St. Louis for one full day on September 6, 2020, from sunrise to sunset.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, this 3rd day of September, 2020.

