



STATE OF MISSOURI
Proclamation
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, beginning in 1984, Firefighter Larry Roland Duncan dedicated a total of 23 years of his life to the fire service protecting people in Mid-Missouri, including as a member of the Cooper County Fire Protect District, Boone County Fire Protection District, and Howard County Fire Protection District; and

WHEREAS, Firefighter Duncan served as a Heavy Rigging Specialist with Missouri Task Force 1 from 1998 to 2003, and in that capacity was called to serve his nation following the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001, deploying to the New York City site where the World Trade Center had been destroyed; and

WHEREAS, Firefighter Duncan and other members of Missouri Task Force 1 served for ten days scouring the rubble that was once the World Trade Center complex for survivors, being exposed to many toxic contaminants; and

WHEREAS, on January 15, 2025, Firefighter Duncan passed away after a long and courageous battle with a 9/11-related cancer; and

WHEREAS, Firefighter Duncan has been certified by the World Trade Center Health Program and the 9/11 Victim Compensation Fund; and

WHEREAS, firefighters courageously and selflessly devote their lives to ensuring the safety and well-being of their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, the people of the State of Missouri are thankful for the sacrifices of the brave emergency responders who risk their own lives to protect the lives and property of their fellow citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MIKE KEHOE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, as a mark of respect for the death of

FIREFIGHTER LARRY ROLAND DUNCAN

and for his bravery and service to the Howard County Fire Protection District and the citizens of Howard County do hereby order that the flag of the United States and the flag of Missouri shall be flown at half-staff at every fire station in the State of Missouri and at the Fire Fighters Memorial, located in Kingdom City, Missouri, and at all government buildings in Howard County from sunrise until sunset on January 26, 2025.

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 24th day of January 2025.



Mike Kehoe
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE