



STATE OF MISSOURI  
*Proclamation*  
BY THE GOVERNOR

**WHEREAS**, Donald R. Kammerich joined the Pilot Grove Area Fire Protection District on February 1, 1990, and continued to serve with the district for more than 35 years; and

**WHEREAS**, because of his dedication to responding to emergencies to protect the lives and property of the people of Cooper County, his commitment to training, and his firefighting skills, Donald R. Kammerich rose through the ranks of the fire protection district, reaching the rank of Deputy Chief on February 15, 2005; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 10, 2025, Deputy Chief Kammerich and the Pilot Grove Area Fire Protection District responded to and extinguished natural cover fires at approximately 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.; and

**WHEREAS**, on the evening of March 10, 2025, Deputy Chief Kammerich suffered a medical emergency in his home and passed away; 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

**DEPUTY CHIEF DONALD R. KAMMERICH**

and for his bravery and service to the Pilot Grove Area Fire Protection District and the citizens of Cooper 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 Cooper County from sunrise until sunset on March 15, 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 14<sup>th</sup> day of March 2025.



  
Mike Kehoe  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

  
Denny Hopkins  
SECRETARY OF STATE