



STATE OF MISSOURI  
*Proclamation*  
BY THE GOVERNOR

**WHEREAS**, Kansas City Fire Department Firefighter/Paramedic Graham Hoffman faithfully devoted more than five years of his life to protecting the people of the Kansas City region as a firefighter/EMT and firefighter/paramedic; and

**WHEREAS**, Firefighter/Paramedic Hoffman joined the Belton Fire Department as a Firefighter/EMT in March 2020 and served the community with dedication, skill, and compassion through September 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, Firefighter/Paramedic Hoffman joined the Kansas City Fire Department as a Firefighter/EMT in September 2022, received his paramedic certification in March 2023, and served the community with unwavering leadership, a heart full of compassion, and a steadfast eagerness to help those in need; and

**WHEREAS**, Firefighter/Paramedic Hoffman was known for his friendly nature, positive attitude, and the genuine smile he brought to each day, lifting the spirits of those around him and embodying the very best of public service through his unwavering dedication and deep care for the community he served so faithfully; and

**WHEREAS**, early on the morning of April 27, 2025, Firefighter/Paramedic Hoffman and the Kansas City Fire Department responded to the North Oak Trafficway area of the city to treat a patient, and he was stabbed and gravely wounded by the patient as she was being transported to North Kansas City Hospital; and

**WHEREAS**, despite the heroic efforts of Kansas City Fire Department paramedics and the hospital medical team, Firefighter/Paramedic Hoffman succumbed to his wounds in the intensive care unit on April 27, 2025; 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/PARAMEDIC GRAHAM HOFFMAN**

and for his bravery and service to the Kansas City Fire Department and the citizens of Cass, Clay, Platte, and Jackson counties, Missouri, 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 Cass, Clay, Platte, and Jackson counties from sunrise until sunset on May 2, 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 1<sup>st</sup> day of May 2025.



  
Mike Kehoe  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:  
  
SECRETARY OF STATE