



STATE OF MISSOURI
Proclamation
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Sarah McCarthy dedicated her life to serving her community as a paramedic; and

WHEREAS, Sarah McCarthy first joined Missouri's Fire and EMS services as a Reserve Firefighter/Paramedic of the Eureka Fire Protection District in 2000; and

WHEREAS, Sarah McCarthy joined the St. Charles County Ambulance District and became a full-time paramedic with the district on October 21, 2002, and through her demonstrated leadership and commitment to professionalism, leadership, mentorship of others, and excellence in patient care, rose to the rank of Lieutenant; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant McCarthy faithfully and honorably served in the district for more than 23 years, including performing with pride as a member of the District's Honor Guard; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant McCarthy was an active member of the STARS team, a dedicated team of paramedics who work closely with special needs pediatric patients and their family members; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant McCarthy was an active member of the Safety Committee, dedicated to improving the safety of her fellow paramedics; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant McCarthy was the first and only member of the District to have received all five of the District's awards for Accountability, Respect, Integrity, Compassion, and Dedication, and was specifically known for her dedication to patient-centric care; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant McCarthy died in the line of duty following a medical emergency; and

WHEREAS, the people of the State of Missouri are thankful for the paramedics and emergency responders who courageously and selflessly devote their lives to ensuring the safety and well-being of their fellow citizens.

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

LIEUTENANT SARAH MCCARTHY

and for her bravery and service to the St. Charles County Ambulance District and the citizens of St. Charles County, do hereby order that the flag of the United States and the flag of Missouri shall be flown at half-staff at every emergency medical service station in the State of Missouri and at all government buildings in St. Charles County from sunrise until sunset on December 17, 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 16th day of December 2025.





Mike Kehoe
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:



Denny Hoskins
SECRETARY OF STATE