



Office of the Governor
State of Missouri

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Specialist Jeffrey Lee White, Jr., of Catawissa, Missouri, was a soldier in the United States Army, assigned to the 1st Battalion (Airborne), 501st Infantry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team (Airborne), 25th Infantry Division, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska; and

WHEREAS, while serving his country, Specialist White was deployed to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom; and

WHEREAS, on April 3, 2012, Specialist White, age 21, died of injuries sustained when an improvised explosive device detonated near his mounted patrol in Khost Province, Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS, Specialist White's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Purple Heart, Army Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal with Bronze Service Star, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, NATO Medal, Combat Infantryman Badge, Basic Parachutist Badge, Combat and Special Skill Badge Basic Marksmanship Qualification Badge (Bar, Weapon: Rifle (Inscription: Rifle), Expert), and the Overseas Service Bar.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Jeremiah W. (Jay) Nixon, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, as a mark of respect for the death of

SPECIALIST JEFFREY LEE WHITE, JR.

and for his bravery and service to the United States of America, do hereby order that the flag of the United States and the flag of Missouri shall be flown at half-staff at all government buildings statewide for one full day on April 18, 2012, and shall be flown at half-staff at all government buildings in the county of Franklin, Missouri, from April 19, 2012, to April 24, 2012, 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 12th day of April, 2012.




Jeremiah W. (Jay) Nixon
Governor

Attest:


Robin Carnahan
Secretary of State