



Office of the Governor  
State of Missouri

## Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, Police Officer Blake Snyder, of Edwardsville, Illinois, joined the St. Louis County Police Department in July 2012; and

**WHEREAS**, on October 6, 2016, Police Officer Snyder, age 33, died while serving the citizens of St. Louis County; and

**WHEREAS**, law enforcement officials courageously and unselfishly strive to ensure the safety and well-being of their fellow citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, the people of the State of Missouri are thankful for the brave individuals in the law enforcement profession who consider the welfare of others a personal responsibility and work tirelessly to protect the lives and the property of their fellow citizens.

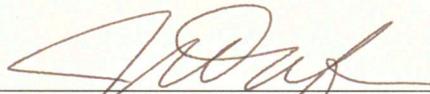
**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Jeremiah W. (Jay) Nixon, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, as a mark of respect for the death of

### **POLICE OFFICER BLAKE SNYDER**

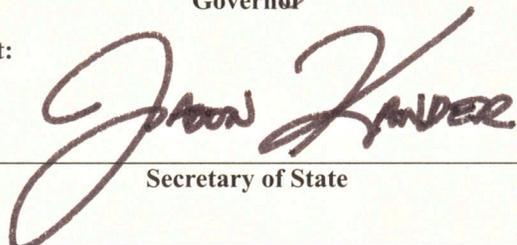
and for his bravery and service to the St. Louis County Police Department do hereby order that the flag of the United States and the flag of Missouri shall be flown at half-staff at all government buildings in St. Louis County, Missouri, for one full day on October 13, 2016, from sunrise to sunset.

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 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2016.



  
Jeremiah W. (Jay) Nixon  
Governor

Attest:

  
Secretary of State