Office of the Governor
State of Missouri

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Special Agent Melissa S. Morrow, a native Missourian, received her undergraduate degree, *magna cum laude* with honors, and her law degree from the University of Missouri. On September 5, 1995, she began her career with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and served with the Bureau for more than 22 years; and

WHEREAS, Special Agent Morrow was called to serve our country following the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001, acting as a first responder to the Pentagon crash site and then the Alexandria, Virginia evidence warehouse; and

WHEREAS, Special Agent Morrow spent 10 weeks recovering and processing evidence at the site, being exposed to many contaminants; and

WHEREAS, Special Agent Morrow continued to serve the Bureau, the people of Missouri, and the United States admirably through her work as a member of the FBI Kansas City Division, beginning in July 2010. During that time, Special Agent Morrow investigated financial and intellectual property crimes, earning numerous recognition and awards, including the FBI Agents Association Award of Excellence for Distinguished and Exemplary Service; and

WHEREAS, on March 22, 2018, after fighting a long and courageous battle with brain cancer, Special Agent Morrow made the ultimate sacrifice at age 48; and

WHEREAS, Special Agent Morrow has been certified by the World Trade Center Health Program and the 9/11 Victim Compensation Fund, and her death is classified as a Line of Duty Death; and

WHEREAS, law enforcement officers 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 law enforcement who consider the welfare of others a personal responsibility and who work tirelessly to protect the lives and property of their fellow citizens.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Eric R. Greitens, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, as a mark of respect for the death of

SPECIAL AGENT MELISSA S. MORROW

and for her bravery and service to the FBI 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 March 27, 2018, and shall be flown at half-staff at all government buildings in the counties of Cass, Clay, Jackson, Platte, Audrain, Boone and Cole, in Missouri, from March 28-30, 2018, 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 26th day of March, 2018.

[Signature]
Eric R. Greitens
Governor

Attest:
[Signature]
Secretary of State