

Office of the Governor
State of Missouri

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Evan D. Burns, of Caruthersville, Missouri, graduated from the Southeast Missouri State University Law Enforcement Academy in Cape Girardeau in November 2007; and

WHEREAS, upon graduation from the academy, Evan Burns began his career in law enforcement when he became a Patrolman for the Brooklyn Police Department in Brooklyn, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Evan Burns was a Police Officer for the Caruthersville Police Department and a Firearms Instructor and part-time Police Officer for the Steele Police Department at the time of his death; and

WHEREAS, on August 16, 2011, Officer Evan Burns, age 28, was killed in the line of duty while serving the citizens of Caruthersville; 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 hard to protect the lives and the property of their fellow citizens.

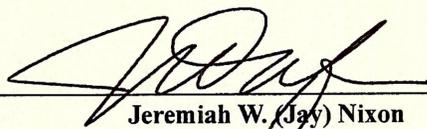
NOW THEREFORE, I, Jeremiah W. (Jay) Nixon, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, as a mark of respect for the death of

POLICE OFFICER EVAN D. BURNS

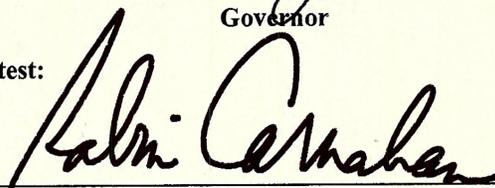
and for his public service to the State of Missouri, do hereby order that the flag of the United States and the flag of Missouri shall be flown at half-staff at all government buildings in the County of Pemiscot, Missouri, for one full day on August 20, 2011, from sunrise to sunset.

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 19th day of August 2011.




Jeremiah W. (Jay) Nixon
Governor

Attest:


Secretary of State