

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

At Charleston

A PROCLAMATION

By the Governor

WHEREAS, Private First-Class Zachary “Zach” Wayne Riffle was born in Lawrenceville, Georgia on June 11, 2003, the son of Rebecca Jean Woods Riffle and Robert “Bobby” Jason Riffle; and

WHEREAS, PFC Zach Riffle played basketball, baseball, track, and football and was in the band in Junior High and played football and wrestled for Preston High School before leaving early to join the United States Marine Corps; and

WHEREAS, PFC Riffle served in the United States Marine Corps as a landing support specialist with Combat Logistics Battalion 24, Combat Logistics Regiment 2, 2nd Marine Logistics Group; and

WHEREAS, PFC Riffle was is survived by his parents, Rebecca Jean Woods (Jamey Ray) Riffle and Robert “Bobby” Jason (Jen Plum) Riffle; siblings, Alexander Paul Riffle, Jodie Grace Riffle, Jessica FaithAnn Riffle, Leonard “Leo” Dean Riffle; maternal grandparents, Wayne Percy and Carolyn Ann Stevens Woods; paternal grandparents, Robert Lee and Dorothy Susan “Dottie” Argabrite Riffle; aunts and uncles, Doug Woods and Jacinta, and their children, E.J. and Dwayne, Wendy Woods and her children, Emily, Liam and Adeline, Dianna Trickett and Wes and their children, Cole and Jake, Robine Riffle and her children, Mason and wife Emily, and Madison; as well as several great aunts, great uncles and cousins; and

WHEREAS, PFC Zach Wayne Riffle, a committed and respected service member and a devoted family member, died following a tactical vehicle rollover near Jacksonville, North Carolina, on January 19, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the State of West Virginia, friends, and service members of the United States Marine Corps desire to recognize Private First Class Zachary Wayne Riffle's dedicated service to the Great State of West Virginia and the United States of America, and to acknowledge his valuable contributions to the State and Nation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JIM JUSTICE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as the Governor of the State of West Virginia, do hereby **ORDER** that, in commemoration of the distinguished life and service of PFC Zach Riffle, all United States flags and West Virginia State flags displayed at the Capitol Complex in Charleston, West Virginia, and at all State facilities throughout Preston County, West Virginia, shall be lowered to half-staff from dawn until dusk on February 6, 2022.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the State of West Virginia to be affixed.



By the Governor

DONE at the Capitol in the City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this Fourth day of February, in the Year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Two, and in the One Hundred Fifty-Ninth Year of the State.


GOVERNOR


SECRETARY OF STATE