

State of Louisiana

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER JBE 2020 – 17

FLAGS AT HALF-STAFF – FRANK ALDEN “FRANKIE” HOWARD

- WHEREAS,** Frank Alden “Frankie” Howard, a former distinguished member of the Louisiana Legislature, died at the age of 81 on Saturday, July 26, 2020;
- WHEREAS,** he was predeceased by his wife of 54 years, Betty Pauline, and he is survived by his wife Macel, his sons Robert, Rodney, and Ryan; grandchildren Katy, Matt, Lesley, Brian, Jacob, Catherine, Courtney, and Daniel; his great-granddaughter Kora; his sister Martha; as well as a host of extended family and friends;
- WHEREAS,** a veteran of the United States Army, he entered into public service in 1961; he was elected in 1975 to Sheriff of Vernon Parish and served for twenty-four years in that position, during which time he introduced the first Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) program in Vernon Parish and served as president of the Louisiana Sheriffs’ Association;
- WHEREAS,** he served the parishes of Vernon, Sabine, and Natchitoches, and his home of Hornbeck, in the Louisiana Legislature for twelve years, first elected to the House of Representatives in 2007, where he served for three terms until January of 2020; and
- WHEREAS,** Frank Alden Howard lived his life with integrity and honor, and his public service as a lawmaker to the State of Louisiana will long be remembered.

NOW THEREFORE, I, JOHN BEL EDWARDS, Governor of the State of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

- SECTION 1:** As an expression of respect for Frank Alden “Frankie” Howard, the flags of the United States and the State of Louisiana shall be flown at half-staff over the State Capitol from sunrise until sunset on Thursday, July 30, 2020.
- SECTION 2:** This Order is effective upon signature and shall remain in effect until sunset on Thursday, July 30, 2020.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana in the City of Baton Rouge, on this 28th day of July, 2020.

GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA

**ATTEST BY THE
SECRETARY OF STATE**

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