

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 245

WHEREAS, Private First Class Dalton Beals, 19, was a resident of Pennsville, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, Pfc. Beals graduated in 2020 from Pennsville Memorial High School, where he was a member of the football, wrestling, and track teams; and

WHEREAS, Pfc. Beals was participating in training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot in Parris Island, South Carolina, where he was a part of Echo Company, Platoon 2040; and

WHEREAS, Pfc. Beals was expected to graduate on June 18, 2021, just two weeks after his tragic passing; and

WHEREAS, Pfc. Beals was a beloved son and brother, whose presence will be missed by his family, his friends, his fellow servicemembers, and by the people of New Jersey whom are grateful for his service; and

WHEREAS, it is with immense sadness that we mourn Pfc. Beals's sudden passing, and extend our deepest sympathy to his family, friends, fellow classmates, and instructors; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to honor the exemplary character, outstanding achievements, and cherished memory of Pfc. Beals, and to mark his passing;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PHILIP D. MURPHY, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and by the Statutes of this State, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. The flag of the United States of America and the flag of New Jersey shall be flown at half-staff at all State departments, offices, agencies, and instrumentalities during appropriate hours on Wednesday, June 9, 2021, in recognition and mourning of a courageous and loyal American Marine, Private First Class Dalton Beals.

2. This Order shall take effect immediately.

GIVEN, under my hand and seal this
8th day of June,
Two Thousand and Twenty-one,
and of the Independence of
the United States, the Two
Hundred and Forty-Fifth.

[seal]

/s/ Philip D. Murphy

Governor

Attest:

/s/ Parimal Garg

Chief Counsel to the Governor