



THE STATE OF GEORGIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER

BY THE GOVERNOR:

FLAGS ON ALL STATE BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS ORDERED TO HALF STAFF

WHEREAS: Mrs. Sandra Dunagan Deal, former First Lady of Georgia, passed away on Tuesday, August 23, 2022; and

WHEREAS: As First Lady of Georgia from 2011 to 2019, and alongside Georgia's 82ND Governor Nathan Deal, she promoted community service, education, and literacy initiatives; and

WHEREAS: During her time as First Lady, and as a passionate advocate for literacy and student achievement, she read to students in all of Georgia's 159 counties and 181 school districts, including 800 schools and Pre-K programs; and

WHEREAS: For generations to come, the Sandra Dunagan Deal Center for Early Language and Literacy, located on the campus of her alma mater, Georgia College & State University, will continue her good work in bringing the gift of reading to Georgia's children; and

WHEREAS: During her time in the Governor's Mansion, while improving its beauty and preserving its memories for futures generations, Mrs. Deal co-authored a book, "Memories of the Mansion," which covered the rich history of the Governor's Mansion and experiences of Georgia's first families; and

WHEREAS: It is fitting and proper to recognize Mrs. Sandra Deal's life and service to citizens of the State of Georgia by lowering the flags throughout Georgia to half-staff.

NOW, THEREFORE, IN HONOR OF AND AS A MARK OF RESPECT FOR THE MEMORY OF MRS. SANDRA DUNAGAN DEAL, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY

ORDERED: That the flag of the United States and the flag of the State of Georgia be flown at half-staff on all State buildings and grounds on Saturday, August 27, 2022, the day of Mrs. Deal's interment.

This 24TH day of August 2022.


GOVERNOR