

As a mark of solemn respect for the victims of the terrible act of violence perpetuated on February 14, 2018 at the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida, and in accordance with a Presidential proclamation, Massachusetts Governor Charles D. Baker has ordered that the United States flag and the Commonwealth flag be lowered to half-staff at all immediately and remain so until sunset, Monday February 19, 2018.

This order shall be observed prior to, concurrent with, and following the upcoming Commonwealth of Massachusetts half-staff order in honor of Private First Class William Becket Kiernan, USMC, of Rochester, MA, which calls for the United States and Commonwealth flags to be lowered to half-staff from sunrise until sunset on Friday, February 16, 2018, the day of interment.