WHEREAS, United States Navy Lieutenant Christopher E. Mosko graduated from Eau Claire Memorial High School in 2002;

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Mosko participated in the Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps program;

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Mosko was commissioned into the United States Navy upon graduation from Drexel University in 2007;

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Mosko was stationed at EOD Mobile Unit 3, San Diego, California;

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Mosko was assigned as a Navy Explosive Ordnance Disposal Platoon Commander to Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force, Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Mosko was an honorable and courageous young man who loved his family, his country, and the Navy; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Mosko tragically lost his life while conducting combat operations in Nawa district, Ghazni province, Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Mosko was a dedicated Naval Officer as well as a loving husband, son, and brother, whose memory lives in the hearts of his family, friends, and fellow sailors; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Mosko's heroism, patriotism, and service to his country make it appropriate and fitting for the State of New Jersey to remember him and his family, to mark his passing, and to honor his memory;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRIS CHRISTIE, 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 Monday, May 21, 2012, in recognition and mourning of a brave and loyal American hero, United States Navy Lieutenant Christopher E. Mosko.

2. This Order shall take effect immediately.

GIVEN, under my hand and seal this 17th day of May, Two Thousand and Twelve, and of the Independence of the United States, the Two Hundred and Thirty-Sixth.

[seal]

/s/Chris Christie

Governor

Attest:

/s/Charles B. McKenna

Chief Counsel to the Governor