



Office of the Governor | Greg Abbott

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Regional Director Dwight Mathis
Capitol Region 7
Texas Department of Public Safety
208 East 10th Street, Suite 600
Austin, Texas 78701

Dear Director Mathis,

Our state and nation mourns with the passing of one of our greatest presidents. George H.W. Bush was an American hero and icon. Texans are genuinely honored that he called the Lone Star State home. As a mark of respect for his life and public service, it is fitting that flags in Texas be lowered to half-staff.

Therefore, pursuant to Chapter 3100 of the Texas Government Code and 4 U.S.C. § 7, State of Texas and United States flags should be lowered immediately to half-staff statewide in honor and respect of the life and public service of former President George Herbert Walker Bush. Flags should remain at half-staff for 30 days from today and should be returned to full-staff by sunrise on Monday, December 31, 2018.

Individuals, businesses, municipalities and other political subdivisions and entities are encouraged to fly their flags at half-staff for the same length of time in memory of this distinguished former president.

On behalf of Texas, the First Lady and I offer our thoughts and prayers to the Bush family in their time of need. I urge all Texans to appropriately remember President Bush's life of service to our nation and to the state of Texas.

Respectfully,

Greg Abbott
Governor

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