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**TO:** All State Agencies

**FROM:** Jay Inslee  
Governor

**SUBJECT:** Lowering of the Washington State and United States Flags

I am deeply saddened by the death of Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife's Scientific Technician, Mary Valentine, and direct that Washington State and United States flags at all state agency facilities be lowered to half-staff in her memory on **Thursday, February 15, 2024**. Mary Valentine died in the line of duty on Wednesday, January 24, 2024.

Flags should remain at half-staff until close of business or sunset on **Thursday, February 15, 2024**.

**Please notify all of your field offices and facilities around the state.**

Other government entities, citizens and businesses are encouraged to join this recognition.

Please email [FlagRequests@gov.wa.gov](mailto:FlagRequests@gov.wa.gov) if you have any questions about this flag lowering.