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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 Tom Zbyszewski, 20; Richard Wheeler, 31; and Andrew Zajac, 26, and direct that Washington State and United States flags at all state agency facilities be lowered to half-staff in their memory on **Sunday, August 30, 2015**. These three firefighters were killed when their truck crashed as they tried to escape the Okanogan Complex of wildfires.

The Governor's Office has no objection to agencies lowering the flags at the close of business on Friday, August 28, 2015. Flags should remain at half-staff until close of business or sunset on August 30 or first thing Monday morning, August 31, 2015.

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

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

Services will be held on Sunday, August 30, 2015, at 1:00 PM at the Toyota Center in Wenatchee.

Please call (360) 239-1317 if you have any questions about this flag lowering.