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TO: All State Agencies

FROM: Jay Inslee
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SUBJECT: Lowering of the Washington State and United States Flags

I am deeply saddened by the death of East Olympia Volunteer Fire Captain John Ostergard, 63, and direct that Washington State and United States flags at all state agency facilities be lowered to half-staff in his memory on **Saturday, January 5, 2019.** Captain Ostergard suffered a medical emergency while on the scene of a December 14 structure fire south of Yelm.

I have no objection to agencies lowering the flags at the close of business on Friday, January 4, 2019. Flags should remain at half-staff until close of business or sunset on Saturday, January 5, or first thing Monday morning, January 7.

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.

A memorial service will be held at 1:00 pm on January 5 at the Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, 940 Israel Road SW in Tumwater. The service is open to the public and is full line-of-duty honors.

Please call (360) 902-0383 if you have any questions about this flag lowering.