TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME — GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: Police Officer Vincent Parks of the Jonesboro Police Department passed away on July 17, 2022, while serving in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS: Parks was undergoing a police training course at the Central Arkansas Law Enforcement Training Academy at Camp Robinson in North Little Rock before he was taken to a local hospital; and

WHEREAS: Parks later died at a North Little Rock hospital; and

WHEREAS: As a Police Officer with the Jonesboro Police Department, he displayed dedication and perseverance as he put his own health and wellbeing at risk in order to better protect the lives of his fellow Arkansans and all Americans, and the State of Arkansas recognizes his contributions to that esteemed goal; and

WHEREAS: Parks will remain an example for those who wish to serve, and we are grateful for his life, actions, and memory; and

WHEREAS: As evident in Parks’s life, as well as in his death, he had a determination to serve his fellow man. His bravery and actions will continue to inspire the people of Arkansas and is worthy of our remembrance;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ASA HUTCHINSON, Governor of the State of Arkansas, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the laws of the State of Arkansas, in tribute to the memory of Vincent Parks and as an expression of public sorrow, do hereby direct the United States flag and the Arkansas State flag be flown at half-staff from July 19, 2022, to July 22, 2022.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 18th day of July, in the year of our Lord 2022.

Asa Hutchinson, Governor

Attest:

John Thurston, Secretary of State