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TO: All State Agencies

FROM: Christine O. Gregoire

Governor

SUBJECT: Lowering of the Washington State and United States Flags

I hereby direct that Washington State and United States flags at all state agency facilities be lowered to half-staff on **Thursday**, **September 11**, **2008**, for national Patriot Day, the annual memorial to the victims of the 2001 tragedy.

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

Flags should remain at half-staff until sunset Thursday or first thing Friday morning, September 12, 2008.

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

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