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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**, **November 12**, **2009**, in memory of U. S. Army Specialist Aaron S. Aamot, 22, of Custer, who died November 5 in Afghanistan, of injuries sustained when an improvised explosive device detonated near his military vehicle.

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

Flags should remain at half-staff until close of business on Thursday, or first thing Friday morning.

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.