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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 **Tuesday, December 1, 2009,** in memory of U. S. Army Staff Sergeant John J. Cleaver, 36, of Marysville, who died November 19 in Afghanistan, of injuries sustained when a suicide bomber attacked his unit.

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 Tuesday, or first thing Wednesday 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.