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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 in memory of Lakewood Police Officer Ronald Owens, a former member of the Washington State Patrol, and his three colleagues, Officer Greg Richards, Officer Tina Griswold, and Sgt. Mark Renninger, who were all killed on Sunday.

Officer Owens served with the Washington State Patrol from 1997-2004.

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, December 8, or first thing Wednesday morning, December 9.

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.