STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

Office of the Governor



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 1426

WHEREAS, John Sidney McCain III, United States Senator from Arizona, passed away on August 25, 2018, at the age of 81; and

WHEREAS, John McCain was born August 29, 1936, at Coco Solo Naval Station in the Panama Canal Zone when it was a United States territory. He graduated from the Naval Academy at Annapolis in 1958 and flight school two years later. Volunteering for duty in Vietnam, his plane was shot down on October 26, 1967, near Hanoi, North Vietnam, and he spent 5 ½ years at the Hoa Loa prison (the "Hanoi Hilton"), surviving brutal treatment at the hands of his captors; and

WHEREAS, John McCain served two terms in the United States House of Representatives and was a United States Senator from Arizona from 1987 until his death. He was the Republican nominee for President of the United States in the 2008 election; and

WHEREAS, the people of our state and nation grieve the passing, and celebrate the life, of John Sidney McCain III and express our sympathy to his wife, family and friends:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Phil Bryant, Governor of the State of Mississippi, pursuant to the authority vested in me under the Constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi, do hereby order all flags of the United States of America and the State of Mississippi be flown at half-staff on all buildings and grounds of the State of Mississippi and all areas under its jurisdiction beginning immediately and ending at sunset on August 28, 2018, in remembrance of Senator John Sidney McCain III.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

DONE at the Capitol in the City of Jackson, the 27th day of August, in the year of our Lord two thousand eighteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and forty-third.

PHIL BRYANT GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

C. DELBERT HOSEMANN, JR. SECRETARY OF STATE