

RICK SCOTT GOVERNOR

PULSE REMEMBRANCE DAY IN FLORIDA

WHEREAS, on June 12, 2016, 49 innocent lives were taken when a terrorist inspired by ISIS, targeted Pulse Nightclub in Orlando; and

WHEREAS, the lives of Stanley Almodovar III, Amanda L. Alvear, Oscar A. Aracena-Montero, Rodolfo Ayala-Ayala, Antonio Davon Brown, Darryl Roman Burt II, Angel L. Candelario-Padro, Juan Chavez-Martinez, Luis Daniel Conde, Cory James Connell, Tevin Eugene Crosby, Deonka Deidra Drayton, Simón Adrian Carrillo Fernández, Leroy Valentin Fernandez, Mercedez Marisol Flores, Peter Ommy Gonzalez-Cruz, Juan Ramon Guerrero, Paul Terrell Henry, Frank Hernandez, Miguel Angel Honorato, Javier Jorge-Reyes, Jason Benjamin Josaphat, Eddie Jamoldroy Justice, Anthony Luis Laureano Disla, Christopher Andrew Leinonen, Alejandro Barrios Martinez, Brenda Lee Marquez McCool, Gilberto R. Silva Menendez, Kimberly Jean Morris, Akyra Monet Murray, Luis Omar Ocasio-Capo, Geraldo A. Ortiz-Jimenez, Eric Ivan Ortiz-Rivera, Joel Rayon Paniagua, Jean Carlos Mendez Perez, Enrique L. Rios, Jr., Jean Carlos Nieves Rodriguez, Xavier Emmanuel Serrano Rosado, Christopher Joseph Sanfeliz, Yilmary Rodriguez Solivan, Edward Sotomayor, Jr., Shane Evan Tomlinson, Martin Benitez Torres, Jonathan A. Camuy Vega, Juan Pablo Rivera Velázquez, Luis Sergio Vielma, Franky Jimmy DeJesus Velázquez, Luis Daniel Wilson-Leon, and Jerald Arthur Wright never be forgotten; and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida continues to mourn the tragic loss of life and recognize the lasting impact it has on our state and communities, including Florida's LGBTQ community; and

WHEREAS, on my final June 12th as Governor, I remain committed to making sure our state never forgets these brave 49 individuals, that we continue to express our profound sympathy to the families who lost loved ones during this tragic event, and always remember that Florida is resilient and will endure during times of great tragedy.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Scott, Governor of the State of Florida, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by 4 U.S.C. § 7(m), as amended on June 29, 2007, and the laws and Constitution of the State of Florida, do hereby:

- 1. Proclaim June 12th as Pulse Remembrance Day in Florida in recognition of the 49 innocent lives lost in the horrific attack on Pulse Nightclub in 2016; and
- 2. Establish June 12th as a day of remembrance to pay tribute to the 49 innocent lives lost at Pulse Nightclub; and
- 3. Ask all residents of Florida to pause for a moment of silence at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 12, 2018, and each and every year thereafter; and
- 4. Direct all State flags in Florida to be lowered to half-staff from sunrise to sunset on Tuesday, June 12, 2018, and each and every year thereafter in memory of the 49 innocent lives lost at Pulse Nightclub.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed, at Tallahassee, the Capital, this 11th day of June, 2018.

GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE

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