

RON DESANTIS GOVERNOR

NAVAL AIR STATION PENSACOLA REMEMBRANCE DAY IN FLORIDA

WHEREAS, Florida owes a debt of gratitude to our military men and women who selflessly put their lives on the line to protect and defend the values our nation holds dear; and

WHEREAS, Northwest Florida is home to Naval Air Station (NAS) Pensacola, a special place where brave warriors who wear the wings come for flight training to protect and serve our great state and nation; and

WHEREAS, on December 6, 2019, three American sailors were killed in an act of terrorism at NAS Pensacola; and

WHEREAS, as Floridians and Americans, we honor and remember the lives of Ensign Joshua K. Watson, Airman Mohammed S. Haitham, and Airman Apprentice Cameron S. Walters; and

WHEREAS, Florida's law enforcement, first responders, and active duty military personnel, including some of whom were wounded that day, showed tremendous courage in the face of evil by saving lives and helping others; and

WHEREAS, Floridians stand united and strong in times of tragedy; and

WHEREAS, we continue to pray for the survivors, family and friends of those lost on that tragic day, and for our military members and families around the world who steadfastly stand watch over Florida and the United States of America.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ron DeSantis, 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. Acknowledge and observe December 6th as Naval Air Station Pensacola Remembrance Day in Florida; and
- 2. Direct all State flags in Florida to be lowered to half-staff from sunrise to sunset on Monday, December 6, 2021.

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 6th day of December, 2021.

GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE