EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 375

WHEREAS, William ("Billy") DiMaio was born on August 6, 1999, in East Islip, New York; and

WHEREAS, Mr. DiMaio and his family moved to Holmdel, New Jersey in 2013; and

WHEREAS, Mr. DiMaio deeply cherished his family, including his younger siblings Samantha and Anthony, his parents Tracie and Bill, and his extended family; and

WHEREAS, Mr. DiMaio graduated from Holmdel High School in 2017; and

WHEREAS, Mr. DiMaio attended Chestnut Hill College in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration and management in 2021 and a Master of Science degree in organizational leadership in 2022; and

WHEREAS, in college, Mr. DiMaio was not only a star student but also as a top athlete and captain of the lacrosse team; and

WHEREAS, Mr. DiMaio was a natural leader who cared passionately about helping others succeed and lifting up those around him; and

WHEREAS, as he began his professional career, Mr. DiMaio exhibited the unwavering work ethic that he acquired from his father, a positive attitude, and a kindness to others; and

WHEREAS, Mr. DiMaio's life was tragically cut short at the age of 25 from a terrorist attack in New Orleans, Louisiana on January 1, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the State of Louisiana will be lowering flags in their state in remembrance of Mr. DiMaio on Friday, January 10, 2025, pursuant to an Executive Order issued by the Governor of Louisiana declaring a period of mourning for the victims of the terrorist attack in New Orleans; and WHEREAS, it is with great sadness that we mourn the passing of Mr. DiMaio, who will be deeply missed by his family, friends, former classmates and colleagues, and the people of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to honor the life, legacy, friendship, and many accomplishments of Mr. DiMaio, and to mark his passing;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PHILIP D. MURPHY, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and by the Statutes of this State, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. The flag of the United States of America and the flag of New Jersey shall be flown at half-staff at all State departments, offices, agencies, and instrumentalities during appropriate hours on Friday, January 10, 2025, in recognition and mourning of William DiMaio.

2. This Order shall take effect immediately.

GIVEN, under my hand and seal this 8th day of January, Two Thousand and Twenty-Five, and of the Independence of the United States, the Two Hundred and Forty-Ninth.

[seal]

/s/ Philip D. Murphy

Governor

Attest: /s/ Kate E. McDonnell Chief Counsel to the Governor