

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 371

WHEREAS, former New Jersey State Senator and Assemblyman Jim Wallwork was born James Harold Wallwork on September 17, 1930, in East Orange, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, Senator Wallwork graduated from Montclair High School in 1948, from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point in 1952, and from the General Staff War College in 1960, where he graduated first in his class; and

WHEREAS, Senator Wallwork served in the U.S. Army, departing as a second lieutenant, and then served in the New Jersey National Guard for over a decade, retiring with the rank of major; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his military career, Senator Wallwork was a successful businessman who ran Wallwork Brothers, an HVAC supply company started by his grandfather; and

WHEREAS, in 1963 Senator Wallwork was elected to serve in the New Jersey General Assembly, where he represented Essex County from 1964 to 1966; and

WHEREAS, in 1967 Senator Wallwork was elected to serve in the New Jersey Senate, where he represented the 11th Legislative District from 1968 to 1974 and the 25th Legislative District from 1974 to 1982; and

WHEREAS, Senator Wallwork served as the Senate Minority Whip in 1978 and 1979, and as the Assistant Minority Leader in 1980 and 1981; and

WHEREAS, as a legislator, Senator Wallwork supported environmental causes, including enactment of the Pinelands Protection Act, and wrote the legislation that established New Jersey's first Advanced Life Support ambulances for emergency medical services; and

WHEREAS, Governor Christine Todd Whitman later appointed Senator Wallwork to serve as New Jersey's Commissioner on the Waterfront Commission of New York Harbor; and

WHEREAS, Senator Wallwork was a dedicated public servant, known for his integrity and principled values; and

WHEREAS, Senator Wallwork was a loving husband to Lark, his wife of 59 years, who predeceased him in September 2024, and he is survived by his daughter Lyric Winik; his two grandsons, Nathaniel and Evan; his two nephews, Matt and Mark Sheeleigh; and their respective families; and

WHEREAS, Senator Wallwork passed away on October 23, 2024, at the age of 94; and

WHEREAS, it is with great sadness that we mourn the passing of Senator Wallwork, who will be deeply missed by his family, friends, former colleagues, and the people of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to honor the life, legacy, friendship, and many accomplishments of Senator Wallwork, and to mark his passing;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TAHESHA L. WAY, Acting 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 Tuesday, November 19, 2024, in recognition and mourning of a dedicated legislator and public servant, Senator Jim Wallwork.

2. This Order shall take effect immediately.

GIVEN, under my hand and seal this
18th day of November,
Two Thousand and Twenty-Four,
and of the Independence of the
United States, the Two Hundred
and Forty-Ninth.

[seal]

/s/ Tahesha L. Way

Acting Governor

Attest:

/s/ Kate E. McDonnell

Chief Counsel to the Governor