



State of New Mexico

Office of the Governor

Bill Richardson
Governor

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Governor Richardson Lowers Flags to Honor State Police Officer Christopher Mirabal

SANTA FE – Governor Bill Richardson today ordered flags to fly at half-staff to honor State Police Officer Christopher Mirabal who was killed in the line of duty.

“The thoughts and prayers of the people of New Mexico go out to Officer Mirabal’s family as well as my deepest gratitude for his service to New Mexico,” said Governor Bill Richardson.

Officer Mirabal, 35, of Alamogordo, was killed on Wednesday, June 13, 2007 after he lost control of his state issued motorcycle on Scenic Drive in Alamogordo.

Officer Christopher Mirabal was a 1998 graduate of the 60th New Mexico State Police Recruit School. Officer Mirabal was a member of the New Mexico State Police Motorcycle Unit since July 2004.

Officer Mirabal is survived by his wife, Nichole Mirabal; children, Kennedie Mirabal, age 9, and Nathan Mirabal, age 4; his parents, Robert and Corina Mirabal; and his in-laws Tony and Joel Duran, all from Alamogordo.

In honor of Officer Mirabal’s sacrifice, Governor Richardson ordered state flags be flown at half-staff from Monday, June 18, 2007, until sundown on Tuesday, June 19, 2007.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2007-029

**FLAGS FLOWN AT HALF STAFF IN HONOR OF
OFFICER CHRISTOPHER MIRABAL**

WHEREAS, Officer Christopher Mirabal, age 35, tragically passed away on Wednesday, June 13, 2007;

WHEREAS, Officer Mirabal was born on January 25, 1972 and was a resident of Alamogordo, New Mexico;

WHEREAS, Officer Mirabal was a 1998 graduate of the 60th New Mexico State Police Recruit School. Officer Mirabal was a member of the New Mexico State Police Motorcycle Unit since July 2004;

WHEREAS, Officer Mirabal is survived by his wife, Nichole Mirabal, children, Kennedie Mirabal and Nathan Mirabal; his parents, Robert and Corrina Mirabal; and his in-laws Tony and Joel Duran, all of Alamogordo.

WHEREAS, Officer Mirabal's patriotism and dedication to the State of New Mexico will always be remembered.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Governor Bill Richardson, Governor of the State of New Mexico, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the Laws of the State of New Mexico, do hereby order that all flags be flown at half-staff from Monday, June 18, 2007, until sundown on Tuesday, June 19, 2007, in honor and mourning of Officer Christopher Mirabal. The thoughts and prayers of the people of New Mexico go out to his family as well as a heartfelt thank you for his service to New Mexico.

ATTEST:

**DONE AT THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE
THIS 14th DAY OF JUNE, 2007**

**MARY HERRERA
SECRETARY OF STATE**

**WITNESS MY HAND AND THE GREAT SEAL
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO**

**BILL RICHARDSON
GOVERNOR OF NEW
MEXICO**

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