

State of New Mexico

Michelle Lujan Grisham Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2022-110

ORDERING FLAGS TO HALF-STAFF IN MEMORY OF VICTIMS OF BERNALILLO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE HELICOPTER CRASH

On Saturday, July 16, 2022, a Bernalillo County Sheriff's Office helicopter was returning to Bernalillo after assisting with firefighting efforts in northern New Mexico when it unexpectedly crashed. Tragically, the crash killed all those on board: Undersheriff Larry Koren, Lieutenant Fred Beers, and Deputy Michael Levison of the Bernalillo County Sheriff's Office, as well as Rescue Specialist Matthew King of the Bernalillo County Fire Department. Each of those lost will leave a devastating hole in the lives of countless family members, friends, and colleagues at the Bernalillo County Sheriff's Office and Fire Department. Their bravery and public dedication will not be forgotten.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Michelle Lujan Grisham, Governor of the State of New Mexico, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of New Mexico, do hereby **ORDER** and **DIRECT** that all New Mexico and United States flags be flown at half-staff beginning July 18, 2022, and lasting through sundown of July 22, 2022. This action will serve to commemorate the lives of Undersheriff Larry Koren, Lieutenant Fred Beers, Deputy Michael Levison and Rescue Specialist Matthew King, and to mourn their loss.

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE

DONE AT THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE THIS 18TH DAY OF JULY 2022

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

MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM GOVERNOR

