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**TO:** All State Agencies

**FROM:** Christine O. Gregoire  
Governor

**SUBJECT:** Lowering of the Washington State and United States Flags

I hereby direct that Washington State and United States flags at all state agency facilities be lowered to half-staff on **Thursday, August 27, 2009**, in memory of U. S. Army First Sergeant Jose S. Crisostomo, of Spanaway, who died August 18, 2009, in Kabul, Afghanistan, of injuries sustained when a vehicle-borne improvised explosive device detonated near his military vehicle.

**Please notify your staff and all of your field offices and facilities around the state.**

Flags should remain at half-staff until close of business on Thursday or first thing Friday morning.

Other government entities, citizens and businesses are encouraged to join this recognition.

Please call (360) 902-0383 if you have any questions about this flag lowering.