Executive Order No. 2019-18

WHEREAS, I have been notified of the passing of Ronald "Ronnie" Young, member of the South Carolina House of Representatives; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his dutiful service as a member of the South Carolina House of Representatives, Representative Young previously served the State of South Carolina in various local capacities, including as a member of the Aiken County School Board and as a member and chairman of Aiken County Council; and

WHEREAS, Representative Young was a dedicated public servant, principled leader, and loyal son of Aiken County, and his passing warrants the people of this State further recognizing and appropriately honoring his extraordinary legacy and lifetime of service to the State of South Carolina; and

WHEREAS, section 10-1-161 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended, provides that "the flags which are flown atop the State Capitol Building must be lowered to half-staff on the day on which funeral services are conducted for . . . current members of the South Carolina General Assembly," and "upon the death of a person of extraordinary stature," authorizes the Governor to order "that the flags atop the State Capitol Building be lowered to half-staff at a designated time or for a designated period of time."

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of South Carolina and pursuant to the Constitution and Laws of this State and of these United States and the powers conferred upon me therein, I hereby order that the flags atop the State Capitol Building be lowered to half-staff from sunrise until sunset on Friday, May 24, 2019, in honor of Representative Young and in recognition of his extraordinary legacy and lifetime of service to the State of South Carolina. This Order is effective immediately.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, THIS 21st DAY OF MAY, 2019.

HENRY MCMASTER Governor