

**Executive Order No. 2019-07**

**WHEREAS**, I have been notified of the passing of Rudolph Mitchell; and

**WHEREAS**, Rudolph Mitchell dutifully served the State of South Carolina as a member of the South Carolina House of Representatives and as a member and chairman of the South Carolina Public Service Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, prior to his distinguished public service, Rudolph Mitchell served honorably in the United States Army from 1945 to 1947; and

**WHEREAS**, Rudolph Mitchell was a dedicated public servant, tireless community advocate, accomplished farmer, revered son of Saluda County, proud World War II veteran, and devoted father and family man, 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(E) of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended, 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 upon the death of a person of extraordinary stature.

**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, February 1, 2019, in honor of Rudolph Mitchell 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 31st DAY OF JANUARY,  
2019.**

**HENRY MCMASTER  
Governor**