Executive Department

Executive Order Number JBE 2020 – 23

Flags at Half-Staff – Dr. Adam John Tassin, Jr.

WHEREAS, Dr. Adam John Tassin, Jr., a distinguished former member of the Louisiana Legislature, died at the age of 76 on Wednesday, December 23, 2020;

WHEREAS, he is survived by his wife of 36 years, Sheilda Durr Tassin; his son, Adam John Tassin, III; his daughter, Cynthia Michelle Tassin; stepdaughters Renée King Soileau and Tammy King Fontenot Doucet; stepson Wesley Oden King; eleven grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren;

WHEREAS, Dr. Tassin graduated from Louisiana State University in 1965, and went on to earn his medical doctorate at the Louisiana State University Medical Center in 1969 at the age of 25; and he served the city of Ville Platte and its surrounding area as a physician for over forty years;

WHEREAS, Dr. Tassin proudly served his state and his nation in the United States Army Reserves, attaining the rank of Major; he was elected to the Louisiana State Senate in the fall of 1971, representing the parishes of Allen, Avoyelles, and Evangeline from 1972-1976 as the Senate’s youngest member; he further served his home parish and his state, serving on the Louisiana Racing Commission, as well as the Louisiana Ethics Commission; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Adam John Tassin, Jr., M.D. lived his life with integrity and honor, and his service as a public servant and lawmaker to the State of Louisiana will long be remembered.

NOW THEREFORE, I, JOHN BEL EDWARDS, Governor of the State of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: As an expression of respect for Adam John Tassin, Jr., M.D., the flags of the United States and the State of Louisiana shall be flown at half-staff over the State Capitol until sunset on Monday, December 28, 2020.

SECTION 2: This Order is effective upon signature and shall remain in effect until sunset, Monday, December 28, 2020.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana in the City of Baton Rouge, on this 27th day of December, 2020.

/s/John Bel Edwards

GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA

Attest by the
Secretary of State

Secretary of State