



**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER JML 25-128**

***FLAGS AT HALF-STAFF –
DEPUTY EDDIE “BOO BOO” MELSON***

WHEREAS, Deputy Eddie “Boo Boo” Melson lost his life while serving his community on October 28, 2025;

WHEREAS, he was born on August 4, 1951 in Savannah, Tennessee to Lillian Holt Melson and Edd “Revious” Melson;

WHEREAS, he worked for years as a Reserve Officer for the Livingston Parish Sheriff’s Office and returned in 2017 as courthouse security for the Livingston Parish Courthouse;

WHEREAS, he passed away doing what he loved, surrounded by what he considered his “Second Family” at the Livingston Parish Courthouse;

WHEREAS, in addition to his public service in law enforcement, he owned Eddie Melson Equipment, LLC and was a truck driver for many years;

WHEREAS, he also served as the community president of the Blue Knights LA IX Club;

WHEREAS, he was admired for his passion for life, as well as his deep love for the outdoors, particularly through camping, and antique vehicles;

WHEREAS, he served as a model of a servant’s heart both through his work and through his membership and involvement at Christ’s Community Church;

WHEREAS, he will be remembered for standing on the Thin Blue Line for his service in law enforcement;

WHEREAS, his unwavering commitment to protecting and serving others is inspiring to all who knew him;

WHEREAS, his legacy of kindness, positivity, and selflessness will continue to live on for all who knew him;

WHEREAS, he took immense pride in his children, who were the true pride and joy of his life;

WHEREAS, he is survived by his daughter, Carolyn Louise Melson Dillon (Brent); son, Eddie “Bren” Melson, II (Leslie); grandchildren, Brittany (Anthony), Ra’Lee (Kierra), Chase (Megan), Lauren (Trey), Brookelyn, Kaitlyn (Bryan), Bubba (Theresa), Taylor (Christian), Bayle’e, Sarah (Michael), and Sadie Mae; great grandchildren, Sierra, Beau, Sterling, Kennedy, Chase, Lincoln, Duce, Natalee, Nash, Kashton, Langston, Beaux, Oakley, Hadleigh, Presley, and Cambren; sisters, Alice Melson Wiley and Cheryl (Marvin) Ratcliff; brother, Donny Melson (Pamela); along with a host of nieces, nephews, friends and coworkers.

NOW THEREFORE, I, JEFF LANDRY, 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 and to honor Deputy Eddie “Boo Boo” Melson, the flags of the United States and the State of Louisiana shall be flown at half-staff over the State Capitol and all state buildings from sunrise until sunset on November 1, 2025.

Section 2: This Order is effective upon signature and shall remain in effect until sunset, November 1, 2025.



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 31st day of October 2025.



Jeff Landry
GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA

**ATTEST BY THE
SECRETARY OF STATE**



Nancy Landry
SECRETARY OF STATE