

State of Louisiana

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 17-09

FLAGS AT HALF-STAFF – HONORABLE RALPH R. MILLER

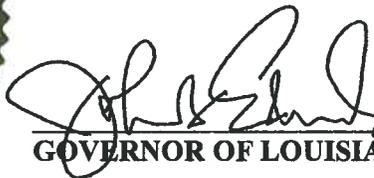
- WHEREAS,** born and raised in Norco, Louisiana, the Honorable Ralph R. Miller died on March 30, 2017, at the age of 82;
- WHEREAS,** first elected to the Louisiana House of Representatives in 1968, he represented District 56 for twenty-two years, where he served with distinction as chairman of the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice and the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs;
- WHEREAS,** his time at the Legislature was marked by his commitment to bring greater transparency and accountability to all levels of government, and he utilized his experience and knowledge of the legislative process in his capacity as a lobbyist for twenty-five years;
- WHEREAS,** during and after his legislative service, Ralph always reached across lines of race, geography and party to make lasting friendships; he valued relationships far more than politics; and he always remembered to stay in touch with his many friends, sharing anecdotes and insights along with his infectious laugh and hallmark sense of humor;
- WHEREAS,** many boards benefited from his service as a member, including the Louisiana Mid-Continent Oil and Gas Association, the Public Affairs Research Council, the New Orleans Chamber of Commerce, the Bureau of Government Research, the World Trade Center, the Council for a Better Louisiana, and the Louisiana Association of Business and Industry;
- WHEREAS,** he was known throughout Norco and St. Charles Parish for his passion to preserve historic structures in Louisiana, most notably through his work as a founding and lifelong member of the River Road Historic Society; and
- WHEREAS,** beloved by family and friends, Ralph Miller dedicated his life to serving the community he loved; his, warmth, humor, kindness and generosity will long serve as an inspiration to the many people impacted by his good work.

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:

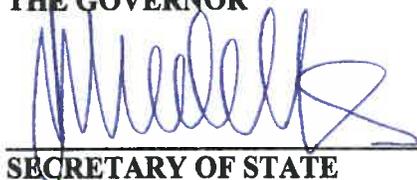
- SECTION 1:** As an expression of respect and to honor the Honorable Ralph R. Miller, the flags of the United States and the State of Louisiana shall be flown at half-staff over the State Capitol on Wednesday, April 5, 2017.
- SECTION 2:** This Order is effective upon signature and shall remain in effect until sunset, Wednesday, April 5, 2017.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this 4th day of April, 2017.


GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA

**ATTEST BY
THE GOVERNOR**


SECRETARY OF STATE