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TO: All State Agencies

FROM: Jay Inslee

Governor

SUBJECT: Lowering of the Washington State and United States Flags

I am deeply saddened by the death of Spokane Valley Firefighter Dan Patterson, 53, and direct that Washington State and United States flags at all state agency facilities be lowered to half-staff in his memory on <u>Friday</u>, <u>August 12</u>, <u>2022</u>. Firefighter Patterson died in the line of duty on Thursday, August 4, 2022.

Flags should remain at half-staff until close of business or sunset on Friday, August 12, 2022.

Please notify all of your field offices and facilities around the state.

Other government entities, citizens and businesses are encouraged to join this recognition.

Please email FlagRequests@gov.wa.gov if you have any questions about this flag lowering.