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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Tom Berger  
Director of Real Estate Development and Management

FROM: Governor Rick Scott

DATE: March 13, 2015

RE: Flags at Half-Staff

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On Tuesday, March 10, 2015, a Louisiana National Guard helicopter carrying seven U.S. Marines and four Louisiana Army National Guard soldiers crashed just off the coast of the Florida panhandle. The men and women of our nation's military faithfully serve our country and protect our freedom every day. We join all Floridians, Louisianans, and Americans as we pray for their families and send our sincerest condolences.

As a mark of respect for the service members who lost their lives in the crash, and in conjunction with the State of Louisiana, effective immediately, I hereby direct the flags of the United States and the State of Florida to be flown at half-staff at all local and state buildings, installations, and grounds throughout the State of Florida until sunset on Friday, March 20, 2015.