

Executive Department

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, it is incumbent upon the Governor to recognize the service and accomplishments of Ohio citizens and it is only fitting that we pause to reflect and honor Franklin County Sheriff James Karnes; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Karnes was an individual deserving of such recognition as he served the residents of Franklin County for 48 years with honor, integrity, and professionalism; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Karnes was the longest serving sheriff in Franklin County history with more than 18 years on the job and was a highly respected member of the law enforcement community within Ohio and nationwide; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Karnes was a graduate of the FBI National Academy and served on the board of directors for the National Sheriffs' Association. He was a past president of the Major County Sheriff's Association and the former Southeast District Director for the Buckeye State Sheriffs' Association; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Karnes passed away after a courageous battle with pancreatic cancer; and

WHEREAS, a devoted family man, Sheriff Karnes is survived by his wife and childhood sweetheart, Sandy and their three daughters and three grandchildren.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John R. Kasich, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby posthumously honor

SHERIFF JAMES KARNES

for his many contributions to public service, especially for his law enforcement service, during his long and distinguished career.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in honor of the life and service of Sheriff Karnes, I hereby proclaim, by the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Ohio by the Ohio Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, that the flags of the United States of America and the State of Ohio shall be flown at half-staff upon all public buildings and grounds throughout Franklin County from sunrise to sunset on June 8, 2011.

On this 6th day of June, 2011;



John R. Kasich
Governor

