

## **Half-Staff: Thursday, July 2, 2015**

Please be advised that Massachusetts Governor Charlie Baker has ordered that the United States flag and the Commonwealth flag be lowered to half-staff at all state buildings from sunrise to sunset on Thursday, July 2, 2015 in honor of Captain Richard W. Vincent, D Company, 2nd Battalion, 18th Marines, 2nd Marine Division, United States Marine Corps. Captain Vincent has been missing on the island of Tarawa since November 20, 1943 and was listed as Killed In Action. Captain Vincent's remains were identified on October 21, 2014 and will be interred on July 2, 2015 in his home town of Westfield, MA.

This gubernatorial order applies to:

1. The main or administration building of each public institution of the Commonwealth, e.g. town and city halls
2. Other state-owned or state-controlled buildings
3. All state military installations

**As a reminder:** Governor Charlie Baker has ordered that the United States flag and the Commonwealth flag be lowered to half-staff at all state buildings from sunrise on Monday, June 29, 2015 until the day of interment in honor of Massachusetts State Senator Thomas P. Kennedy, Second Plymouth and Bristol district, of Brockton, MA who died on June 28, 2015. The flags will remain lowered to half-staff until information is received on Senator Kennedy's date of interment.