



STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
Department of Administration

Roy Cooper, Governor

Machelle Sanders, Secretary

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MEMORANDUM

To: Cabinet Secretaries; Council of State Members; Office of the UNC President; Administrative Office of the Courts; Office of Administrative Hearings; General Assembly; North Carolina Community College System; Governor's Mansion; Governor's Office

From: Secretary Machelle Sanders

Re: Lowering of US and NC Flags to Half-Staff in Honor of NC Rep. MaryAnn Black

Governor Roy Cooper today ordered all United States and North Carolina flags at state facilities to be lowered to half-staff beginning Saturday, March 28, 2020 until sunset Tuesday, March 31, 2020 in honor of NC House of Representative MaryAnn Black, who passed away this week. Black represented the 29th District of Durham County since 2017. She also served as a Durham County Commissioner from 1990 to 2002. A private service for Rep. Black was held on Friday.

Statement from Governor Roy Cooper:

"MaryAnn Black was a strong, compassionate leader who spent her life making North Carolinians healthier and better educated. She will be sorely missed by all of us who knew her and called her friend."

As a show of respect, individuals, businesses, schools, municipalities, counties and other government subdivisions are encouraged to fly the flag at half-staff for the duration of time indicated.

Please note, all North Carolina flag announcements are issued in accordance to regulations outlined in the [US Flag Code](#).

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