



# HOUSE OF COMMONS

*Office of the Speaker*

## DECLARATION

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY COME, GREETINGS:

- WHEREAS, House Resolution (H. Res.) 6 in the 2022<sup>nd</sup> Assembly of the House gives the Speaker power to declare the flag at half-staff when a federal, state, or local entity provides the flag at full-staff.
- WHEREAS, Jimmy Carter, 39<sup>th</sup> President of the United States, died on December 29, 2024.
- WHEREAS, The Flag Code provides that the flag shall be at half-staff for thirty (30) days after the passing of a former or current President.
- WHEREAS, President Joseph R. Biden, Jr. issued a federal declaration requiring the flags to be at half-staff until January 28, 2025.
- WHEREAS, Governor Mike Braun has issued a state flag order counter to the federal order, ordering all places in Indiana to put the flag at full-staff on January 20, 2025, on Inauguration Day.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Leo W. Cavinder**, by virtue of the authority vested in me as the Speaker of the House of Commons, do hereby order that:

- (1) All flags of the U.S. and the State of Indiana shall be placed at half-staff on January 20, 2025, on all grounds of the House of Commons and shall remain at half-staff until January 28, 2025.



**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF**, I Leo W. Cavinder, have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the House of Commons on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2025.

s/Leo W. Cavinder