WHEREAS, Colonel Justin J. Dintino was a dedicated public servant who tirelessly served the people of New Jersey for five decades; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Dintino was born on October 30, 1928, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Dintino joined the New Jersey State Police in 1952; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Dintino was renowned for his integrity and dedication to law enforcement and was essential in bringing several organized crime syndicates to justice; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Dintino ascended the ranks to become the 10th Colonel of the State Police in 1990, serving in every rank along the way; and

WHEREAS, as Superintendent, Colonel Dintino enacted transformative policies to improve police accountability, promote diversity, and protect the civil rights of all citizens; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Dintino was nationally recognized for combating organized crime, and was appointed to the Commission on Organized Crime by President Ronald Reagan; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career, Colonel Dintino also served on the Organized Crime Committee of the International Chiefs of Police, the Middle Atlantic-Great Lakes State Organized Crime Law Enforcement Network, and the Law Enforcement Intelligence Unit as General Chairman; and

WHEREAS, even in retirement, Colonel Dintino served the people of New Jersey as a Commissioner on the State Commission of Investigation; and

WHEREAS, at 91, Colonel Dintino was the oldest surviving State Police Superintendent when he passed away; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Dintino’s extensive writings will contribute to the field of police intelligence well into the future; and
WHEREAS, Colonel Dintino will be sorely missed by his family, including his wife, Doris, siblings, children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, his friends, his colleagues, and by the people of New Jersey whom he served for decades; and

WHEREAS, it is with great sorrow that we mourn the passing of Colonel Dintino, and extend our deepest sympathy to his family, friends, and colleagues; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to honor the exemplary character, outstanding achievements, and cherished memory of Colonel Dintino, and to mark his passing;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PHILIP D. MURPHY, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and by the Statutes of this State, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. The flag of the United States of America and the flag of New Jersey shall be flown at half-staff at all State departments, offices, agencies, and instrumentalities during appropriate hours from Friday, January 31, 2020, through Sunday, February 2, 2020, in recognition and mourning of a dedicated and tireless public servant, Colonel Justin J. Dintino.

2. This Order shall take effect immediately.

GIVEN, under my hand and seal this 30th day of January, Two Thousand and Twenty, and of the Independence of the United States, the Two Hundred and Forty-Fourth.

[seal]   /s/ Philip D. Murphy
Governor

Attest:

/s/ Robert L. Garrenger III
Acting Chief Counsel to the Governor