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## LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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RE: Executive Order JML 25-004

System Leaders,

A heinous act of terrorism occurred in New Orleans only a few hours into 2025. As a result, several of our fellow citizens lost their lives, leaving behind friends, family, and lasting legacies. I extend my condolences and prayers to everyone engaged in this period of mourning.

Governor Landry has issued an Executive Order placing flags at half-mast for a period of time in remembrance of each individual life lost. Further, I am asking that you consider a system-wide moment of silence at 9 a.m. on Monday, January 6<sup>th</sup>. I have attached a copy of EO JML 25-004 to this correspondence and am asking for your compliance.

This evil act of terrorism epitomizes cowardice in opposition to the goodness of a free, civil society. It will impact us but will not define us. In Louisiana, we are no stranger to adversity and will honor the memory of the victims while moving forward with resolve.

Sincerely,

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CC: Governor Jeff Landry Members of BESE

Representative Laurie Schlegel

Senator Rick Edmonds