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P r i n c e G e o r g e ' s

Meeting Date: 4/17/90

C o u n t y C o u n c i l

Requestor: CO. EXEC.

Item Title: To establish criteria for the lowering of
flags at County facilities when a Govern-
ment official or employee is killed in the
line of duty

Sponsors B CA C

Date Presented	2/20/90	Executive Action	4/26/90	S
Committee Referral	(1) 2/20/90	F&P	Effective Date	6/11/90
Committee Action	(1) 3/5/90	FAV		
Date Introduced	3/20/90			
Pub. Hearing Date	(1) 4/17/90	2:00	PM	

Council Action (1) 4/17/90 Enacted

Council Votes B_: A_, CA: A_, C_: A_, CI: --, H_: --, M_: A_,
P_: A_, W_: A_, WI: A_, __: __, __: __, __: __

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Remarks

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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

FISCAL AND PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT

DATE: March 5, 1990

Committee Vote: Favorable, 4-0 (In favor: Council Members
Castaldi, Casula, Pemberton and Wineland)

This legislation amends Section 1-106 of the County Code to give the County Executive the responsibility of establishing specific criteria for the lowering of flags at County facilities upon the death of governmental officials or employees killed in the line of duty.

The County's public safety agencies traditionally lower the flag at their facilities for 30 days following the death of an employee killed in the line of duty, as opposed to the County's current code provision which allows the flag to be lowered until the day following interment.

The Legislative Officer and Office of Law have reviewed this

legislation and found it to be in proper legislative form with no legal impediments.

There is no negative fiscal impact on the County as a result of adopting CB-22-1990.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT

(Includes reason for proposal, as well as any unique statutory requirements)

There is currently a provision for flag protocol in the County Code (1987 Edition), Section 1-106.1. This provision was originally adopted through CB-4-1974.

The current Code provision for flag protocol is not consistent with Federal and State guidelines or the practices of the Police and Fire Departments. This Bill would enable the County Executive to determine the appropriate guidelines, in accordance with other guidelines and practices, in the form of an Administrative Procedure. There is no fiscal impact.