



John R. Kasich
Governor of said State

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

Whereas, at the August term of the Court of Common Pleas held in and for the County of Marion, in the year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty Seven, Joseph Dwayne Murphy was convicted of the crime of Aggravated Murder, with death penalty specifications and sentenced by said Court to death at the September term of the Court of Common Pleas held in and for the County of Marion, in the year of One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty Seven; and

Whereas, Joseph Dwayne Murphy #A199042 is currently incarcerated in the custody of the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction under sentence of death; and

Whereas, an execution date for said inmate has been set for October 18, 2011 and has not been stayed by any court; and

Whereas, the Parole Board voted unanimously, with eight members participating, to commute the sentence of Joseph Dwayne Murphy to life in prison without the possibility of parole; and

Whereas, after consideration of all relevant factors, I, John R. Kasich, Governor of the State of Ohio, have concluded that a commutation of the sentence of Joseph Dwayne Murphy is warranted.

Therefore, by virtue of the authority vested in the Governor by the Constitution and laws of this State, I do hereby direct that the said sentence of Joseph Dwayne Murphy be commuted to life in prison without the possibility of parole.



In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of the State of Ohio to be affixed, at Columbus, this 26 day of September, Two Thousand and Eleven.

John R. Kasich, Governor