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FLAGS LOWERED ON UH CAMPUS TO HONOR VICTIMS OF WEST EXPLOSION

Houston, April 25, 2013 – The US flags have been lowered at the University of Houston on Thursday, April 25, per President Barack Obama’s Flag Proclamation to honor the victims of the explosion in West, Texas last week. The Texas flags have been lowered as well, per Governor Rick Perry’s Flag Proclamation issued on April 23. President Obama’s proclamation reads as follows:

Flag proclamation:

Honoring the victims of the explosion in West, Texas

By the president of the United States of America

A proclamation

As a mark of respect for the memory of those who perished in the explosion in West, Texas, on April 17, 2013, I hereby order, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, that the flag of the United States shall be flown at half-staff at all public buildings and grounds and at all military facilities and naval stations of the federal government in the state of Texas on April 25, 2013.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this twenty-fourth day of April, in the year of our Lord two thousand thirteen, and of the independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-seventh.

Barack Obama

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