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County Executive Barry Glassman Orders Harford County Flag Flown at Half-Staff

BEL AIR, Md., (Jan. 7, 2015) – County Executive Barry Glassman has ordered the Harford County flag to be flown at half-staff in honor of Bel Air Volunteer Fire Company Paramedic Erik Steciak. Paramedic Steciak died Tuesday in the line of duty. The county flag will be lowered on Wednesday, January 7, and remain at half-staff until sunset on the date of interment. County Executive Glassman will also formally request that the Maryland State flag be flown at half-staff on the date of interment for the Howard County resident, who was also a public safety volunteer in his home county.

“The people of Harford County extend our sympathy and prayers to Erik’s family in honor of his ultimate sacrifice in serving our citizens. We also send our prayers out to his brothers and sisters of the West Friendship Volunteer Fire Company where he was a longtime member,” Mr. Glassman said.

The county executive contacted Howard County Executive Allan Kittleman, who once served with Mr. Glassman on the Maryland Senate Finance Committee, to

notify him of the tragedy Tuesday. Mr. Glassman also met with the directors and officers of the Bel Air VFC Tuesday evening to offer the county's assistance.

Finally, County Executive Glassman is grateful to his Department of Emergency Services staff for their support, and honors the efforts of all emergency workers who risk their personal safety every day to ensure the safety of their fellow citizens.

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