



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS:** Thousands of United States military personnel are currently listed as prisoners of war or missing in action, including: 1,641 from the Vietnam War; 7,881 from the Korean War; 126 from the Cold War; 73,539 from WWII; and 6 from the wars in Iraq, Afghanistan, and other conflicts; and
- WHEREAS:** The families of missing Minnesotans in our nation's Armed Forces continue to wait for information about their loved ones; and
- WHEREAS:** The many sacrifices of American military personnel still missing and unaccounted for must be recognized and remembered to help affirm their service was not in vain; and
- WHEREAS:** The United States continues to strengthen and renew efforts with foreign governments to resolve the fates of these brave Americans; and
- WHEREAS:** On this day, the nation, along with the State of Minnesota, echoes the creed inscribed on the black and white banners that fly in honor of America's Prisoners of War and Missing in Action, and we renew our promise to our heroes, "*You Are Not Forgotten.*"

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Friday, September 19, 2014, as:

POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY

in the State of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 15th day of September.


GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE