

STATE OF OKLAHOMA



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

Whereas, throughout American history, generations of patriots have valiantly served in our military and sacrificed greatly to protect our country and preserve democracy around the world; and

Whereas, Oklahomans honor Americans who were prisoners of war and recognize them for the valor and resolve they showed while enduring unspeakable conditions; and

Whereas, the state of Oklahoma applauds our nation's pledge to account as fully as possible for American soldiers still missing from wars and conflicts; and

Whereas, each year on National POW/MIA Day, we honor those Americans who were prisoners of war, and those who remain unaccounted for, especially remembering the sacrifices of their families who must courageously endure without knowing the fate of their loved ones;

Now, Therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor, do hereby proclaim September 16, 2016, as

"POW/MIA Recognition Day"

in the state of Oklahoma and encourage all Oklahomans to remember those who have suffered the horrors of enemy captivity, those who have yet to return from battle and the families who maintain their steadfast vigil in search of the peace that comes only with certainty.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed.



ATTEST:

Done at the Capitol, in the City of Oklahoma City, this 12th day of September, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and sixteen, and of the State of Oklahoma in the one hundred and eighth year.

Chris Benz
SECRETARY OF STATE

Mary Fallin
GOVERNOR