

State of North Carolina

PAT McCRORY

GOVERNOR

POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY

2016

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, on National POW/MIA Recognition Day, we reaffirm our commitment to resolve the fate of those Americans who continue to be unaccounted for while serving our nation during World War II, the Korean and Vietnam Wars, and the Cold War; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina continues to provide a strong commitment to our state's active military, National Guard, and Reserve personnel; and

WHEREAS, we remember those who are still missing in action, more than an estimated 74,300 from World War II, Korea and Vietnam, of which 1,578 are from North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, on this day, the National League of Families POW/MIA flag, which is a black and white banner symbolizing America's missing, is flown over the White House, the U.S. Capitol, military installations and many homes throughout our great nation; and

WHEREAS, this flag is the symbol that reflects America's commitment to those service members who were imprisoned or missing while serving in the armed forces, to never rest until there is a full accounting of those who are still missing; and

WHEREAS, today, North Carolina citizens are asked to remember in prayer and thoughts those service members who are unaccounted for, as well as the courageous families left behind;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PAT McCRORY, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 16, 2016, as "POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this twenty-ninth day of August in the year of our Lord two thousand and sixteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-first.

Governor

