

STATE OF OHIO
Executive Department

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Columbus

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, since the founding of our nation, millions of courageous men and women have answered the call to defend democracy both at home and abroad, and many have made the ultimate sacrifice in the fight for freedom, liberty and peace; and

WHEREAS, approximately 82,500 Americans are still missing and unaccounted for from World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, the Cold War, the Gulf Wars and other conflicts, including 3,695 Ohioans; and

WHEREAS, in 2015, the Department of Defense created the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency to increase the number of missing service personnel accounted for so that the families, friends and fellow veterans of prisoners of war or those missing in action receive a complete and true accounting of their fates; and

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio commends, supports and shares our nation's commitment to account as fully as possible for Americans still missing and unaccounted-for from our nation's past wars and conflicts; and

WHEREAS, on this day, we honor prisoners of war and those missing in action for their heroic service to our nation. We owe them and their families a debt of gratitude which can never be fully repaid.

NOW, THEREFORE, We, John R. Kasich and Mary Taylor, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby recognize September 21, 2018 as

POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY

throughout Ohio and encourage all Ohioans to join us in honoring the sacrifice of our nation's prisoners of war and those who are still missing in action.

On this 21st day of September 2018;

John R. Kasich
Governor

Mary Taylor
Lieutenant Governor

