

Proclamation



POW/MIA REGOGNITION DAY

SEPTEMBER 16, 2016

WHEREAS, each year on the third Friday in September is recognized as National POW/MIA Recognition Day and observed across the nation; and

WHEREAS, this day honors those who served in our military and were prisoners of war and those still missing in action; and

WHEREAS, this day was established by an Act of Congress, by passage of Section 1082 of the 1998 defense Authorization Act; and

WHEREAS, 1,618 Americans are still missing from the Vietnam War, 7,821 are unaccounted for from the Korean War, 126 from the Cold War and over 73,000 from World War II; and

WHEREAS, today the POW/MIA Flag symbolizing America's Missing in Action and Prisoners of War will be flown across this Nation as a solemn reminder of our obligation to always remember the sacrifices made to defend our country:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, THE MAYOR OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, do hereby proclaim September 16, 2016, in Washington, DC as "POW/MIA REGOGNITION DAY."

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Muriel Bowser". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

