

Proclamation

WHEREAS: January 27, 1977 marks the Fourth Anniversary of the signing of the Paris Peace Accords; and

WHEREAS: that agreement provided for the return of all Prisoners of War and the fullest possible accounting for the Missing In Action and the repatriation of remains of those who died serving our country during the war in Southeast Asia; and

WHEREAS: that same agreement stated that the accounting would take place in the same period of time (60 days) as the withdrawal of the American Troops from South Vietnam; and

WHEREAS: the majority of the citizens of the United States believe that the North Vietnamese and other Communist Governments in Southeast Asia have information on many of the remaining Americans listed as "Missing In Action" which they have never disclosed, nor have they returned the remains of the thirty-two Americans who were reported as having died in Communist prison camps; and

WHEREAS: it is necessary for the majority of Americans to continue to express their total concern for the Missing In Action in order to impress on the minds of the Communist leaders in Southeast Asia that Americans care and Americans will demand full information on all of the American MIA's;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota do hereby urge the citizens of this State to express their total concern for the Americans Missing in Action in Southeast Asia by letters to their Congressmen and by joining in prayer at the church of their choice; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that I hereby proclaim January 27 through January 30, 1977 as

POW/MIA DAYS OF CONCERN

with the hope that the concern of our citizens will be so demonstrated and will bring about a total accounting of all of the Americans listed as Missing In Action during the hostilities in Southeast Asia.

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 twenty-fifth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy-seven and of the State the one hundred and nineteenth.

STATE OF MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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JAN 27 1977

Jean Anderson Howe
Secretary of State

Rudy Perpich
GOVERNOR

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