WHEREAS: Thousands of Americans who have fought in our nation's wars were captured by the enemy or are missing in action; and

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WHEREAS: Many American prisoners of war were subjected to brutal and unconscionable treatment by their captors; and

WHEREAS: It is uncertain whether those Americans currently classified as "missing in action" are alive or dead, and such uncertainty has caused their families to suffer acute hardships; and

WHEREAS: The sacrifices of American prisoners of war and Americans missing in action and their families deserve special recognition by all Minnesotans;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Albert H. Quie, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim July 18, 1979, to be

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in Minnesota, and urge all citizens to join in this observance and offer thanks for the many sacrifices made on our behalf by prisoners of war, those missing in action, and their families.

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 eighteenth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred seventy - nine, and of the State the one hundred twenty - second.

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