



Proclamation

WHEREAS: IN FULFILLING THEIR DUTY AS CITIZENS OF THE UNITED STATES, OUR SERVICEMEN AND WOMEN HAVE OFTEN BEEN CALLED UPON TO MAKE UNCOMMON SACRIFICES AS THEY HAVE ENDURED SUFFERINGS AND INDIGNITIES; AND

WHEREAS: IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE RECOGNIZE THE SPECIAL DEBT WE OWE TO THESE FELLOW CITIZENS, WHO, IN THE ACT OF SERVING OUR NATION, RELINQUISHED THEIR OWN FREEDOM THAT WE MIGHT ENJOY THE BLESSINGS OF PEACE AND LIBERTY; AND

WHEREAS: IN MINNESOTA, WE ARE STILL SEARCHING FOR MORE SUBSTANTIAL INFORMATION ON CITIZENS OF OUR STATE WHO ARE PRISONERS OF WAR OR MISSING IN ACTION; AND

WHEREAS: A RED RIBBON HAS BEEN DESIGNATED AS A SYMBOL OF OUR UNDYING CONCERN FOR THESE AMERICANS;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ALBERT H. QUIE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, DO HEREBY JOIN IN THE NATIONAL OBSERVANCE OF POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY THROUGH PROCLAIMING JULY 17, 1981 TO BE

RED BADGE OF COURAGE DAY

IN MINNESOTA, AND HAVE ASKED LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR LOU WANGBERG TO PREPARE THIS PROCLAMATION FOR MY SIGNATURE AND DISSEMINATE THE SAME. FURTHER, I ENCOURAGE CITIZENS TO WEAR A SYMBOLIC RED RIBBON TO DEMONSTRATE CONCERN FOR FAMILIES WHO ARE CONTINUALLY LOOKING FOR A TRUE ACCOUNTING OF THEIR LOVED ONES.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, WE HAVE HEREUNTO SET OUR HANDS AND CAUSED THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA TO BE AFFIXED THIS NINTH DAY OF JULY IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED EIGHTY-ONE AND OF THE STATE THE ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-THIRD.

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Albert H. Quie

GOVERNOR

Jean Anderson Jean Lou Dangle