



# Proclamation

WHEREAS: THROUGHOUT AMERICAN HISTORY OUR PRISONERS OF WAR HAVE BEEN CALLED UPON TO MAKE UNCOMMON SACRIFICES; AND

WHEREAS: IN FULFILLING THEIR DUTY AS CITIZENS OF THE UNITED STATES, THEY HAVE DEFENDED AMERICAN IDEALS WHILE SUFFERING UNIMAGINABLE INDIGNITIES UNDER THE ABSOLUTE CONTROL OF THE ENEMY; AND

WHEREAS: WE AS A NATION STILL HAVE OVER 2,863 FELLOW AMERICANS LISTED AS MISSING-IN-ACTION OR AS PRISONERS-OF-WAR, SOMEWHERE IN SOUTHEAST ASIA, INCLUDING 45 MEN FROM MINNESOTA AND TWO MEN FROM MINNESOTA WITH HOME OF RECORD OTHER THAN MINNESOTA; AND

WHEREAS: ALL AMERICANS OUGHT TO RECOGNIZE THE SPECIAL DEBT WE OWE TO OUR FELLOW CITIZENS WHO, IN THE ACT OF SERVING OUR NATION, RELINQUISHED THEIR FREEDOM THAT WE MIGHT ENJOY THE BLESSINGS OF PEACE AND LIBERTY;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ALBERT H. QUIE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM FRIDAY, JULY 9, 1982 TO BE

## RED BADGE OF COURAGE DAY

IN MINNESOTA, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE NATIONAL DAY OF RECOGNITION, A DAY DEDICATED TO ALL FORMER AMERICAN PRISONERS OF WAR, TO THOSE STILL MISSING AND TO THEIR FAMILIES, AND HAVE ASKED LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR LOU WANGBERG TO PREPARE THIS PROCLAMATION FOR MY SIGNATURE AND DISSEMINATE THE SAME. FURTHER, I URGE CITIZENS TO JOIN IN HONORING THOSE WHO MADE THE UNCOMMON SACRIFICE OF BEING HELD CAPTIVE IN WAR, AND TO HONOR AS WELL THEIR LOVED ONES WHO HAVE ALSO SUFFERED VALIANTLY AND PATIENTLY.

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

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