



## Proclamation

WHEREAS: America's men and women have served their country heroically since the Revolutionary War; and

WHEREAS: Thousands of Americans served in those wars, were captured by the enemy or became missing in action; and

WHEREAS: More than 2,400 such men and women still are left officially unaccounted for in Southeast Asia, including 54 Minnesota men; and

WHEREAS: Additional servicemen remain unaccounted for from the Korean Conflict; and

WHEREAS: The American government is still receiving reports that indicate the possibility that many others are still alive and being held, creating a situation many Minnesotans consider unbearable; and

WHEREAS: This nation now enjoys the blessings of peace because of its veterans and their dedication to duty, honor and sacrifice; and

WHEREAS: We recognize the special debt we owe the prisoners of war and those missing in action; and

WHEREAS: All POW/MIA organizations, veterans groups and concerned citizens have requested that a day in September be set aside for all Minnesotans to gather to show their support for a speedy solution to this unresolved POW/MIA situation;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Saturday, September 20, 1986, to be

POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY

in Minnesota.

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
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*Joan Anderson Howe*  
Secretary of State

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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-second day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-six, and of the State the one hundred twenty-eighth.

*Joan Anderson Howe* *Rudy Perpich*