

EXECUTIVE ORDER 87-16  
PROVIDING FOR AN OFFICIAL DAY  
OF RECOGNITION IN MINNESOTA FOR  
THOSE MISSING IN ACTION AND  
UNACCOUNTED FOR IN WAR

I, RUDY PERPICH, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the applicable statutes, do hereby issue this Executive Order:

WHEREAS, concern over those missing and unaccounted for in war is the proper concern of all Minnesotans; and

WHEREAS, 121 Minnesotans remain unaccounted for from the Korean conflict and 44 Minnesotans remain unaccounted for from the Vietnam war; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature has passed and the Governor has signed a law requiring the display of the "POW/MIA" flag on the State Capitol, and promoting its use throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States has declared September 18, 1987, to be the official national day of recognition for those missing in action and unaccounted for; and

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WHEREAS, a red ribbon has come to be recognized as an additional symbol of remembrance for those unaccounted for in war; and

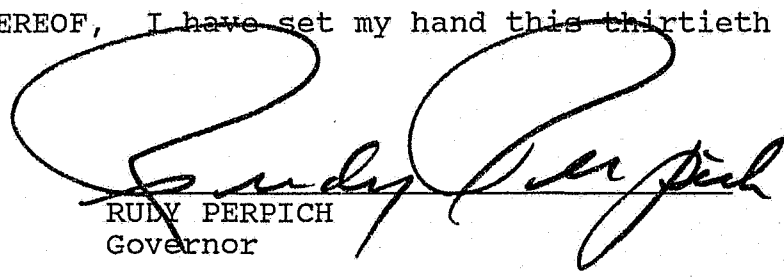
WHEREAS, display of red ribbons on September 18 and at other times is an appropriate remembrance for Minnesotans unaccounted for;

NOW, THEREFORE, I hereby order that:


1. September 18 be an official day of recognition in Minnesota for those missing in action and unaccounted for in war.
2. Red ribbons be displayed in appropriate ways in public buildings and other appropriate locations on September 18 and at all other times as may be useful to remind Minnesotans of the sacrifice of those who have not returned from America's wars.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 4.035, subd. 2, this Order shall be effective fifteen (15) days after publication in the State Register and filing with the Secretary of State and shall remain in effect until rescinded by proper authority or it expires in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 4.035, Subdivision 3.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have set my hand this thirtieth day of June, 1987.

  
RUDY PERPICH  
Governor

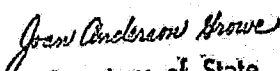
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