



Proclamation

In Recognition of

POW/MIA Recognition Day

WHEREAS, more than 80,000 American soldiers and military personnel remain missing or unaccounted for from World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, and the Cold War; and

WHEREAS, the State of Hawai'i was home to seven military servicemen who were either prisoners of war (POW), missing in action (MIA), or whose bodies were not recovered; and

WHEREAS, we will always honor and remember these men of courage: USAF 1st Lt. David Anthony Lum; USMC 1st Lt. John Robert Peacock II; USAF SSG Klaus Jürgen Bingham; USAF SGT Leonard Masayon Tadios; USAF SrA Ronald Kazuo Miyazaki; USAF CPL Richard D. Martin; and John R. Tavares; and

WHEREAS, agencies and organizations, such as the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency at Joint Base Pearl Harbor Hickam, the National League of POW/MIA Families, and the National League of Families of American Prisoners and Missing in Southeast Asia, are committed to recovering information about personnel listed as POW or MIA; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. government has been jointly working with the governments of Vietnam, Laos, and Cambodia to recover information and bodies from the conflicts in Southeast Asia; and

WHEREAS, families and friends of soldiers and civilians listed as POW/MIA remain hopeful that they will one day be reunited with or learn more information about their loved ones; and

WHEREAS, members of the U.S. armed services have served their country faithfully and fearlessly, and the Eternal Flame Memorial in Honolulu is dedicated to all the brave men and women of Hawai'i who served in the U.S. armed services;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, DOUGLAS S. CHIN, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim September 21, 2018 as

"POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY"

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing the contributions and sacrifices POWs, MIAs, and their families have made to our state and nation.

Done at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this first day of August 2018.

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

DOUGLAS S. CHIN
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i