

# STATE OF MINNESOTA



## Proclamation

- WHEREAS: America's men and women have served their county heroically since the Revolutionary War; and
- WHEREAS: Thousands of Americans served in those wars, many of which were captured by the enemy or considered Missing in Action; and
- WHEREAS: More than 2100 men and women are still officially unaccounted for in Southeast Asia, including 41 Minnesotans; and
- WHEREAS: More than 78,741 such men and women are still officially unaccounted for from World War II, including 465 Minnesotans; and
- WHEREAS: In excess of 8100 men and women are still officially unaccounted for from the Korean Conflict, including 154 Minnesotans; and
- WHEREAS: The American government has received reports indicating the possibility that many are still alive and being held, thereby creating a situation which many citizens of Minnesota and the United States consider to be unbearable; and
- WHEREAS: We recognize that our nation now enjoys the blessings of peace because of the dedication to duty of United States veterans and the special sacrifices of Prisoners of War, those who died and those Missing in Action; and
- WHEREAS: Many POW/ MIA organizations, veteran groups and concerned citizens have requested that a day in September of each year be set aside in order to gather together in support of a speedy resolution to the unresolved POW/MIA situation;

NOW THEREFORE, I, ARNE H. CARLSON, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of September 13 - 19, 1998 to be

### POW/MIA Recognition Week

in Minnesota.



*Jean A. Grove*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

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 thirteenth day of September in the year one thousand nine hundred and ninety-eight, and of the State the one hundred fortieth.

*Arne H. Carlson*  
GOVERNOR



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