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RESOLUTION NO. _____

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1 A House Joint Resolution concerning

2 **POW/MIA Recognition Day**

3 FOR the purpose of recognizing the sacrifices of the United States armed forces
4 personnel who are prisoners of war or listed as missing in action and that their
5 families are deserving of national recognition and support for continued priority
6 efforts to determine the fate of those missing Americans; and declaring the third
7 Friday ~~of~~ in September of each year to be "POW/MIA Recognition Day".

8 WHEREAS, The United States has fought in many wars and thousands of
9 Americans who served in those wars were captured by the enemy or listed as missing
10 in action; and

11 WHEREAS, Many of these Americans are still listed as missing and
12 unaccounted for, and the uncertainty surrounding their fates has caused their
13 families to suffer tragic and continuing hardships; and

14 WHEREAS, In 1987, the United States Congress designated POW/MIA
15 Recognition Day as September 18th; and

1 WHEREAS, No day is set aside in the State to recognize the prisoners of war
2 and those listed as missing in action; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the
4 General Assembly recognizes the sacrifices of Americans still missing and
5 unaccounted for from all of our Nation's wars and that their families are deserving of
6 national recognition and support for continued priority efforts to determine the fate of
7 those missing Americans; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That the General Assembly of Maryland hereby declares the third
9 Friday in September of each year to be "POW/MIA Recognition Day"; and be it further

10 RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be forwarded by the Department of
11 Legislative Services to the Honorable Parris N. Glendening, Governor of Maryland;
12 the Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., President of the Senate of Maryland; and
13 the Honorable Casper R. Taylor, Jr., Speaker of the House of Delegates.