



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, during this special time we focus on paying tribute to the men and women who never returned home from combat and to those who faced unthinkable suffering as prisoners of war; and

WHEREAS, there are nearly 1,400 Tennesseans still missing in action since World War II; and

WHEREAS, we can never repay the profound debt to our heroes, and we are committed to accounting for the missing members of the Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, we demonstrate our deep gratitude and admiration for our brave patriots not in words alone, but by continuing to search for and bring home those missing in action; and

WHEREAS, on September 20, 2024, the POW/MIA flag honoring America's prisoners of war and those missing in action will be flown over the Tennessee State Capitol and other locations across our country as a powerful reminder that our nation will never cease to recover, remember, and honor the courageous men and women who have served and sacrificed so much for each of us;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim September 20-26, 2024 as

POW/MIA Recognition Week

in Tennessee and encourage all citizens to join me in this worthy observance.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the State of Tennessee to be affixed at Nashville on this thirtieth day of August 2024.

Bill Lee

Governor

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Secretary of State