

Executive Department

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Columbus

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, since the founding of our nation, millions of courageous men and women have answered the call to defend democracy both at home and abroad, and many have made the ultimate sacrifice in the fight for freedom, liberty and peace; and

WHEREAS, according to the Department of Defense, there are still 1,627 missing and unaccounted for Americans from the Vietnam War, including 75 Ohioans; and

WHEREAS, more than 83,100 Americans are still missing and unaccounted for from World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, the Cold War, the Gulf Wars and other conflicts; and

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2015, the Department of Defense created the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency to increase the number of missing service personnel accounted for so that the families, friends and fellow veterans of prisoners of war or those missing in action receive a complete and true accounting of their fates; and

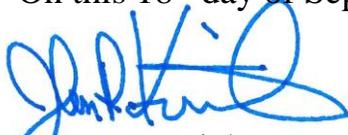
WHEREAS, the service and sacrifice of prisoners of war or those missing in action are a testament to their love of country, and we pray for their safe return. Their commitment to defending our nation and way of life is an inspiration to all of us.

NOW, THEREFORE, We, John R. Kasich and Mary Taylor, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby recognize September 18, 2015 as

POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY

throughout Ohio and encourage all Ohioans to join us in honoring the sacrifice of our nation's prisoners of war and those who are still missing in action.

On this 18th day of September 2015;



John R. Kasich
Governor



Mary Taylor
Lieutenant Governor

