THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, SEPTEMBER 15, 2022

A RESOLUTION

1 2	Designating September 16, 2022, as "POW/MIA Recognition Day" in Pennsylvania.
3	WHEREAS, Many Americans across the United States pause to
4	remember the sacrifices of individuals who were prisoners of war
5	(POW) and those who are missing in action (MIA); and
6	WHEREAS, We salute the men and women who, with courage, valor
7	and selflessness, safeguard our country and our ideals; and
8	WHEREAS, Unthinkable pain remains with the loved ones of
9	those soldiers, sailors, airmen and marines who do not return
10	home; and
11	WHEREAS, Since World War II, nearly 82,000 Americans are
12	still missing, and many former prisoners of war live among us
13	today; and
14	WHEREAS, Federal law requires the iconic POW/MIA flag to be
15	displayed whenever the American flag is displayed on prominent
16	Federal buildings and national war memorials to honor those
17	Americans who are listed as prisoners of war, missing in action

or otherwise unaccounted for from our nation's past wars and
 conflicts; and

3 WHEREAS, Our country and our Commonwealth owe these
4 individuals a debt that can never be repaid; and
5 WHEREAS, We pay solemn tribute and honor these individuals
6 with a commitment never to forget their patriotism; and
7 WHEREAS, Today, and every day forward, we renew our pledge to
8 continue working to bring everyone home to the loved ones they
9 left behind; and

10 WHEREAS, This day of recognition of individuals who are 11 missing in action or prisoners of war reminds us to use all of 12 our resources to bring them home; and

13 WHEREAS, Since those declared missing or unaccounted for are 14 unable to be with their loved ones and families, we join 15 together and bear witness to their continued absence; therefore 16 be it

17 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate September 16, 2022, as 18 "POW/MIA Recognition Day" in Pennsylvania.

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