

SENATE RESOLUTION 256

By Watson

A RESOLUTION to commemorate National Medal of Honor Day,
March 25, 2024.

WHEREAS, National Medal of Honor Day was established by Congress to foster public appreciation and recognition of Medal of Honor recipients; and

WHEREAS, the first National Medal of Honor Day was celebrated on March 25, 1991;
and

WHEREAS, March 25th was chosen because it was on that day in 1863 that the first Medals of Honor were presented to six members of Andrews' Raiders during the Civil War; and

WHEREAS, to its recipients, the Medal of Honor represents more than recognition of combat actions; instead, it symbolizes the sacrifices of those they served alongside and those who came before; and

WHEREAS, to honor those sacrifices, each year on National Medal of Honor Day, the recipients lay a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington National Cemetery; those buried there are recipients of the Medal of Honor; and

WHEREAS, National Medal of Honor Day provides an opportunity for the public to reflect on the importance of service and sacrifice; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we commemorate National Medal of Honor Day in Tennessee on March 25, 2024, as we offer our most sincere appreciation for the sacrifice and service of the recipients of the Medal of Honor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

