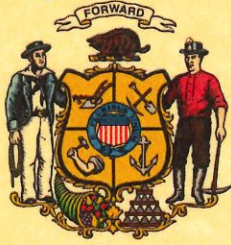


# STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

## Proclamation

*WHEREAS*, since the passage of 2001 Wisconsin Act 100 more than two decades ago, the third Friday of September has been set aside as Prisoners of War-Missing in Action (POW-MIA) Recognition Day across the state, in conjunction with the federal observance; and

*WHEREAS*, POW-MIA Recognition Day honors the sacrifices of the United States service members—including all those from Wisconsin—who were held or continue to be held in captivity as prisoners of war while on active duty and those who were or are missing in action; and

*WHEREAS*, Wisconsin commends the profound courage and determination required of all active service members and veterans and honors the remarkable bravery and resilience of POW-MIA service members as well as the sacrifices of their family members, friends, and loved ones; and

*WHEREAS*, the state of Wisconsin commemorates the nation's prisoners of war and missing in action service members by flying the black and white POW-MIA flag over the North wing of the State Capitol Building year-round; and


*WHEREAS*, today, the state of Wisconsin joins veterans service organizations across the state and country, along with the families and friends of POW-MIA service members, in recognizing the service and sacrifice of all prisoners of war and in supporting the federal government's efforts to recover the thousands of service members who remain missing, so as to honor their contributions and bring comfort and closure to their loved ones and communities;

*NOW, THEREFORE*, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim September 15, 2023, as


## PRISONERS OF WAR—MISSING IN ACTION RECOGNITION DAY

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance  
to all our state's residents.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have  
hereunto set my hand and caused the  
Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin  
to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in  
the City of Madison this 5th day  
of September 2023.

  
TONY EVERS  
GOVERNOR

By the Governor

  
SARAH GODLEWSKI  
Secretary of State