



The Office of the Governor

Executive Department
State of Idaho
Boise

Proclamation

WHEREAS, there are currently 2413 Americans still missing or otherwise unaccounted for in Indochina, and their families still suffer untold grief due to the uncertainty of their condition; and

WHEREAS, the Lao People's Democratic Republic indicates increased willingness to cooperate and work with the United States Government to improve the overall relationship between our two countries; and

WHEREAS, the Socialist Republic of Vietnam has pledged to accelerate their effort to cooperate with the United States Government in resolving this humanitarian issue--separate from any other issues involving our two countries; and

WHEREAS, the President of the United States has declared resolution of the POW/MIA issue a matter of highest national priority and has initiated high-level dialogue with the governments of the Lao People's Democratic Republic and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam on this matter; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Idaho fully understand and agree that the most complete and accurate accounting can only be achieved through government-to-government cooperation; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Idaho urge the United States Government to accelerate efforts in every way possible to obtain the immediate release of any Americans who may still be held captive in Indochina and the return of American servicemen and civilians who died in Southeast Asia whose remains have not been repatriated; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Idaho strongly urge the governments of the Socialist Republic to fully cooperate with the United States Government in the humanitarian effort to resolve the fate of 2,413 American servicemen and civilians still missing in Southeast Asia;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CECIL D. ANDRUS, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim September 15, 1987, to be

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in Idaho, and I urge the citizens of Idaho to recognize this important matter and take action on this day to honor these missing men and extend their love and consideration to their families.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho, at Boise, the Capital, the twenty-fourth day of August, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred eighty-seven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred twelfth, and of the Statehood of Idaho the ninety-eighth.

BY THE GOVERNOR

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Cecil D. Andrus
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF IDAHO