



**RICK SCOTT**  
GOVERNOR

***POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY***

**WHEREAS, Florida residents have served honorably in the nation's Armed Forces, and many of Florida's brave men and women are considered missing in action, causing a grateful nation to mourn their fates; and**

**WHEREAS, thousands of Floridians have endured captivity while serving in wars and conflicts fought by the United States; and**

**WHEREAS, in fulfilling their duties, Florida's POWs have defended American ideals while often suffering indignities at the hands of their oppressors; and**

**WHEREAS, the POW/MIA flag is flown at the Florida Capitol, rest areas along Florida's interstate highways, and at Florida's State Parks as a powerful reminder of those who so faithfully served our country; and**

**WHEREAS, Floridians share the pain of the families of POWs and MIAs as they await a full accounting; and**

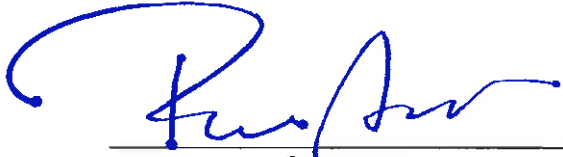
**WHEREAS, the State of Florida commends and endorses the national commitment to account as fully as possible for Americans still missing from our nation's wars; and**

**WHEREAS, September 19, 2014, is set aside as a time to reflect and pay tribute to Floridians who, in the act of serving our nation, selflessly relinquished their freedom so we may enjoy the blessings of liberty and peace;**

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Scott, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing September 19, 2014, as *POW/MIA Recognition Day*.**

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, the Capital, this 12<sup>th</sup> day of September, in the year two thousand fourteen.**



  
Governor