

RON DESANTIS

KOREAN WAR REMEMBRANCE DAY IN FLORIDA

WHEREAS, June 25, 2022 marks the 72nd anniversary of the beginning of the Korean War, a conflict over the evils of communism; and

WHEREAS, the Korean War began with the North Korean army's invasion of South Korea, and more than 294,000 Floridians wore the uniform of the Armed Forces of the United States during the Korean War; and

WHEREAS, Florida will always support freedom-seeking individuals who are fighting for their liberties, freedom, and God-given rights; and

WHEREAS, more than 1.5 million American men and women joined other United Nations forces in serving in the Korean War and combatting communist aggression; and

WHEREAS, nearly 7,600 Americans remain unaccounted for from three years of fighting, including 157 Floridians; and

WHEREAS, more than 93,000 Korean War veterans currently reside in Florida; and

WHEREAS, Florida is recognized as the most veteran-friendly state in the nation, honoring and providing earned services for our veterans and their family members for their selflessness; and

WHEREAS, in May, Governor Ron DeSantis signed HB 395 to honor victims of communism through education, funding, and establishing November 7th as Victims of Communism Day;

WHEREAS, HB 395 also requires students to learn about the evils of communism and the atrocities committed by their Regimes; and

WHEREAS, sandwiched between World War II and the Vietnam War, the Korean War is often referred to by Veterans of that era as the forgotten war; and

WHEREAS, to honor the noble service and sacrifice of Florida's Korean War veterans, the State of Florida dedicated a memorial at the capital in 1999 to ensure they are not forgotten; and

WHEREAS, Asian Pacific American leaders, innovators and community members contribute to our state's successful history and bright future through their involvement in science, art and culture, government affairs, business, education, and philanthropy.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ron DeSantis, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing June 25, 2022, as *Korean War Remembrance Day in Florida*.



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 25th day of June, in the year two thousand twenty-two.

Governor

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