

PROCLAMATION

Office of the Mayor
Borough of Barrington
County of Camden, New Jersey

NATIONAL POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2010

WHEREAS, in every generation, members of our Armed Forces have answered the call of service in our Nation's hour of need. These patriots have defended our freedom and way of life, triumphed over enemies, and answered the prayers of millions.

WHEREAS, although we pray for and remember our missing service men and women daily, we have as a nation set aside a special remembrance day each year on the third Friday of September to bring special attention to our POW/MIAs by honoring them with National POW/MIA Recognition Day. We honor the Americans who have been prisoners of war and recognize them for enduring unimaginable hardships while serving in military conflicts around the globe. We also remember those who are still missing in action and honor their memory and the sacrifices they have made.

WHEREAS, on National POW/MIA Recognition Day, the flag of the National League of Families of American Prisoners and Missing in Southeast Asia is flown over the White House, the Capitol, the Departments of State, Defense, and Veterans Affairs, the Selective Service System Headquarters, the National Vietnam Veterans and Korean War Veterans Memorials, U.S. Military Installations, national cemeteries, and other locations across our country. The POW/MIA flag is flown daily in the Borough of Barrington. The flag is a reminder of our continued remembrance of those brave service members imprisoned while serving in conflicts around the world and of our duty to encourage the United States Government to continue to search for, recover and identify the remains of our fallen heroes and bring them home to their families and the land they defended.

WHEREAS, Americans are blessed with the freedom made possible by the service and sacrifice of so many. On National POW/MIA Recognition Day, our entire Borough, State and Nation honors and pays special tribute to our prisoners of war and those who remain missing;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John D. Rink, Mayor and the entire council of the Borough of Barrington do hereby proclaim Friday, September 17, 2010, as **National POW/MIA Recognition Day** and I ask all residents of the Borough Barrington to join with Borough Council in remembering and honoring all American POWs and MIAs who valiantly served our country. We also remember and pray for the family members of our service members still missing and honor the sacrifices they have made.


John D. Rink, Mayor

Attest: 
Terry Shannon, Municipal Clerk

Date: September 14, 2010