

Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government

National POW/MIA Recognition Day

WHEREAS, National POW/MIA Recognition Day was established in 1979 by President Jimmy Carter and is commemorated annually on the third Friday of September as an opportunity to honor and recognize our brave service members who are classified as Prisoners of War (POW) or Missing in Action (MIA); and

WHEREAS, National POW/MIA Recognition Day is a day to acknowledge families, friends, and veterans who are awaiting recovery and identification of missing and unaccounted for service members from our Nation's past wars and conflicts; and

WHEREAS, acknowledged in 2019, World War II pilot Newt Heisley designed the POW/MIA flag, made in black and white to symbolize sorrow, anxiety, and hope; and

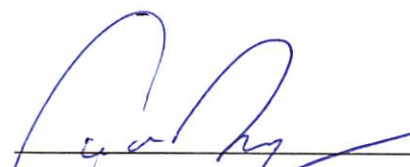
WHEREAS, the POW/MIA flag will be flown daily, in all places the United States flag is flown, including the Terrebonne Parish Courthouse, the Terrebonne Government Tower, the Sheriff's Office, and the Houma Police Department; and

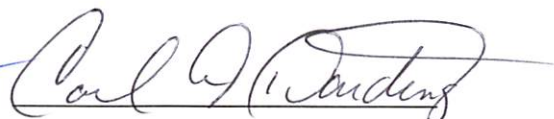
WHEREAS, National POW/MIA Recognition Day is a time where Terrebonne Parish residents can stand with POW/MIA's and their families in support of those who serve our nation in defense of the values we hold dear; and

WHEREAS, National POW/MIA Recognition Day in Terrebonne Parish is an opportunity to honor the service members who were held captive and returned, as well as those who remain missing; and

WHEREAS, National POW/MIA Recognition Day and other military events help bridge the community and the military to build trust and support.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of the Parish President, Jason W. Bergeron, and the entire Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the day of **September 19, 2025** be hereby proclaimed as **National POW/MIA Recognition Day**.


Jason W. Bergeron
Terrebonne Parish President


Carl A. Harding
Council Chairperson

