CITY OF HOUMA, LOUISIANA

PARISH OF TERREBONNE

PROCLAMATION

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 Parish Government Tower, the Sherriff'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 and support 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 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 18, 2026*** *be hereby proclaimed as:*

NATIONAL POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY
IN TERREBONNE PARISH

Presented this 16th day of September, 2026.

JASON W. BERGERON
PARISH PRESIDENT

CLAYTON VOISIN, JR.
COUNCIL VICE-CHAIRMAN

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