



Lake County Illinois

Legislation Text

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Resolution authorizing the display of the Prisoner of War / Missing in Action (POW / MIA) Flag in the Lincoln Plaza at the Lake County Administrative Complex in Waukegan on Armed Forces Day, Memorial Day, Flag Day, Independence Day, National POW / MIA Recognition Day and Veterans Day.

- The POW / MIA Flag is designated in United States Code (U.S.) (36 U.S.C.A. § 902) as the symbol of our Nation's concern and commitment to resolving the fates of members of the Armed Forces of the United States who are prisoner, missing, and unaccounted for.
- Illinois State Statute (5 ILCS 465/1) states that the County Board may provide for the display of the "MIA Flag."
- Historically, Armed Forces Day, Memorial Day, Flag Day, Independence Day, National POW / MIA Recognition Day and Veterans Day are the six days where display of the POW / MIA Flag was encouraged.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The National League of Families POW / MIA Flag is designated in 36 U.S.C.A. § 902 as the symbol of our Nation's concern and commitment to resolving as fully as possible the fates of Americans still prisoner, missing, and unaccounted; and,

WHEREAS, Illinois State Statute (5 ILCS 465/1) states that the County Board may provide for the display of an "MIA Flag;" and,

WHEREAS, it is the sense of the Lake County Board that members of the Armed Forces of the United States who are or were prisoners of war or reported missing in action should be honored and remembered for their service and sacrifice: and,

WHEREAS, the display of the POW / MIA Flag by the Lake County Board symbolizes Lake County's concern and commitment to achieving the fullest possible accounting of members of the Armed Forces of the United States who, having been prisoners of war or missing in action, still remain unaccounted for; and,

WHEREAS, historically, Armed Forces Day, Memorial Day, Flag Day, Independence Day, National POW / MIA Recognition Day and Veterans Day are the six days where display of the POW / MIA Flag was encouraged.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by this County Board of Lake County, Illinois, that

the POW / MIA Flag be raised in the Lincoln Plaza at the Lake County Administrative Complex in Waukegan on Armed Forces Day (May 21, 2022), Memorial Day (May 30, 2022), Flag Day (June 14, 2022), Independence Day (July 4, 2022), National POW / MIA Recognition Day (September 16, 2022) and Veterans Day (November 11, 2022), to honor and remember members of the Armed Forces of the United States who are, were, or may be in the future, prisoners of war, missing in action, or otherwise unaccounted for.

DATED at Waukegan, Illinois, on May 10, 2022.