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Expressing the thanks of the House of Representatives and the Nation for the contributions to freedom made by American POW/MIAs on National POW/MIA Recognition Day.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 14, 2004

Mr. SIMMONS (for himself, Mr. COLLINS, Mrs. MILLER of Michigan, Mr. EVANS, Mr. SNYDER, Mr. GIBBONS, and Mr. SKELTON) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

RESOLUTION

Expressing the thanks of the House of Representatives and the Nation for the contributions to freedom made by American POW/MIAs on National POW/MIA Recognition Day.

Whereas from World War II to the present, more than 88,000 members of the United States Armed Forces remain unaccounted for;

Whereas nearly 50,000 former American prisoners of war are currently living in the United States;

Whereas the United States owes a significant debt of gratitude for the sacrifice and hardships endured by former prisoners of war and missing personnel;

Whereas former prisoners of war continue to serve and inspire our nation;

Whereas National POW/MIA Recognition Day is one of the six days specified by law as days on which the POW/MIA flag is to be flown over specified Federal facilities and national cemeteries, post offices, and military installations; and

Whereas tens of thousands of American families have loved ones who are still listed as unaccounted for and daily endure tremendous hardship and emotional suffering: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) recognizes that National POW/MIA Recognition Day is one of the six days specified by law
3 (pursuant to section 902 of title 36, United States
4 Code) as a day on which the POW/MIA flag is to
5 be flown over specified Federal facilities and national
6 cemeteries, military installations, and post offices;
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9 (2) extends the gratitude of the House of Representatives and the Nation to those who have
10 served their nation in captivity to hostile forces as
11 prisoners of war;
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13 (3) recognizes and honors the more than
14 88,000 members of the United States Armed Forces
15 who remain unaccounted for and their families;

1 (4) recognizes the untiring efforts of national
2 POW/MIA organizations to ensuring that America
3 never forgets the contribution of the Nation's pris-
4 oners of war and unaccounted for military personnel;
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6 (5) calls on all Americans to recognize National
7 POW/MIA Recognition Day with appropriate re-
8 membrances, ceremonies, and activities.

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