

POW/MIA Recognition Day Proclamation

WHEREAS, In 1979, Congress passed a resolution authorizing observance of National POW/MIA Recognition Day, and

WHEREAS, That national observance now takes place annually on the third Friday of September—this year on September 16; and

WHEREAS, Air Force, Navy, and Army ROTC units from the University of Idaho and Washington State University hold an annual recognition ceremony to honor prisoners and former prisoners of war and those missing in action; and

WHEREAS, This year, that local observance will be held on September 9 at 10:00 AM on the north lawn of the University of Idaho Administration Building; and

WHEREAS, Americans are grateful for the sacrifices of heroes and of loved ones who may not know the fate of missing members of our Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, It is appropriate to pay tribute to personnel who never came home from combat in distant lands, to those who suffered as prisoners of war, and to all members of the military who have defended our Country; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Defense continues to search archives, explore foreign battlefields and burial sites, interview witnesses, and otherwise seek information about those missing from the Vietnam War, Korean War, Cold War, World War II, and other conflicts;


NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nancy Chaney, Mayor for the City of Moscow, do hereby proclaim September 16, 2011 as

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in Moscow, and I urge all residents to observe that day of honor and remembrance with appropriate activities, including the ROTC Ceremony at the University of Idaho.



DATED this 6th day of September, 2011


Nancy Chaney, Mayor