## COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND 2003 Legislative Session

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Council Member Peters
Council Members Shapiro, Hendershot, Dean, Exum, Knotts,
Dernoga and Harrington
n April 8, 2003

## RESOLUTION

## A RESOLUTION concerning

## National League of Families POW/MIA Flag

For the purpose of requiring that a certain POW/MIA flag to be flown on or near the principal county administration buildings on certain days of each year; and generally relating to the display of the POW/MIA flag on or near the principal county administration buildings.

WHEREAS, the National League of Families POW/MIA flag has been designated under Title 36 United States Code Section 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 for as a result of hostile action; and

WHEREAS, the National League of Families POW/MIA flag is the symbol of the Nation's commitment to achieving the fullest possible accounting for Americans who, in the future, may become prisoners of war, missing in action, or otherwise unaccounted for as a result of hostile action; and

WHEREAS, the POW/MIA flag is displayed at the Capitol; the White House; the Korean War Veterans Memorial and the Vietnam Veterans Memorial; each national cemetery; the buildings containing the official office of the Secretary of State, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Director of the Selective Service System; each major military installation, as designated by the Secretary of Defense, each medical center of the Department of Veterans Affairs; and each United States Postal Service post office; and

WHEREAS, the POW/MIA flag is appropriately displayed on Armed Forces Day, the third Saturday in May; Memorial Day, the last Monday in May; Flag Day, June 14;

1 Independence Day, July 4; National POW/MIA Recognition Day; and Veterans Day, November 2 11; and 3 WHEREAS, from Prince George's County, there remain several persons who are 4 prisoners of war, missing in action, or otherwise unaccounted for as a result of hostile action. 5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's 6 County, Maryland, that the National League of Families POW/MIA flag be flown on or near 7 principal county administration buildings on Armed Forces Day, the third Saturday in May; 8 Memorial Day, the last Monday in May; Flag Day, June 14; Independence Day, July 4; National 9 POW/MIA Recognition Day; and Veterans Day, November 11; 10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the display of the POW/MIA flag be in a manner 11 designed to ensure visibility to the public, and as designated by all protocols used in displaying 12 national flags; 13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the POW/MIA flag be flown until a determination 14 by the President of the United States that the fullest possible accounting has been made of all 15 members of the armed forces and civilian employees of the United States who have been 16 identified as prisoners of war or missing in action; 17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the display of the National League of Families 18 POW/MIA flag be the reaffirmation of the citizens of Prince George's County of their concern 19 and commitment to resolving, as fully as possible, the fates of Americans still prisoner, missing, 20 and unaccounted, and who, in the future, may become prisoners of war, missing in action, or 21 otherwise unaccounted for as a result of hostile action. Adopted this 8th day of April, 2003. COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND BY: Peter A. Shapiro Chair ATTEST:

Redis C. Floyd Clerk of the Council