



**PROCLAMATION
POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY - SEPTEMBER 16, 2023**

WHEREAS, America is still missing men from the Vietnam War, 155 are unaccounted for from the Korean War, one is still missing from the Cold War, and 364 are missing from World War II with thousands from that war being assessed as unrecoverable deep-sea losses; and

WHEREAS, families and friends of these unaccounted-for veterans still await recovery and identification of their loved ones' remains or, if determined unrecoverable, certainty regarding their fates; and

WHEREAS, on POW/MIA Recognition Day, we pause to acknowledge, with deep reverence, the brave Americans who were held in captivity and those whose fates have never been resolved, remembering that their families continue to suffer; and

WHEREAS, we recognize that our nation feels the cost of war long after the last battle is fought, and we refuse to allow the sacrifices of our brave service members to go unrecognized; and

WHEREAS, now and forever, Americans will stand with the families and friends of service members as they await news of their loved ones who are deployed overseas; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Marana fully supports the national commitment to account, as fully as possible, for Americans still missing from our nation's wars.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ed Honea, Mayor of the Town of Marana, do hereby proclaim September 16, 2023 as POW/MIA Recognition Day in Marana and urge all Americans to pay special honor to those who have been prisoners of war, to those who remain missing in action, and to the families and friends of these valiant service members.

Dated this 13th day of September 2023.

ATTEST:

David L. Udall, Town Clerk



Ed Honea, Mayor