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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Labor, Industry, Veterans and Military Affairs Finance and Policy

1.1 A resolution

1.2 memorializing the United States Government to bring home every American who is a

1.3 Prisoner of War - Missing in Action.

1.4 WHEREAS, the Prisoner of War - Missing in Action (POW/MIA) issue has been a national

1.5 dilemma since the end of World War II; and

1.6 WHEREAS, it is the responsibility and the duty of the United States government to bring

1.7 home Americans missing in action from the Vietnam War, the Cold War conflicts, the Korean War,

1.8 World War II, and other conflicts; and

1.9 WHEREAS, as of January 2021, the Government Accountability Office listed 79,764 service

1.10 men and women unaccounted for from World War II, the Korean War, Cold War conflicts, the

1.11 Vietnam War, the Gulf War, and other conflicts; and

1.12 WHEREAS, American Prisoners of War and their missing comrades have demonstrated the

1.13 true spirit of our nation and should never be forgotten; and

1.14 WHEREAS, Americans from every generation have answered the call to duty with dedication

1.15 and valor. These brave Americans deserve the respect and gratitude of our nation, and all efforts

1.16 should be made to bring home every American who is a Prisoner of War - Missing in Action; NOW,

1.17 THEREFORE,

1.18 BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota that it urges the United

1.19 States Government to make every effort to bring home every American who is a Prisoner of War

1.20 - Missing in Action.

1.21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of State of the State of Minnesota is directed

1.22 to prepare copies of this memorial and transmit them to the President of the United States, the

1.23 President and the Secretary of the United States Senate, the Speaker and the Clerk of the United

1.24 States House of Representatives, and Minnesota's Senators and Representatives in Congress.