

SJR 2 INTRODUCED BY MCCALLUM
RESOLUTION TO FLY PRISONER-OF-WAR FLAG OVER STATE
CAPITOL

1/05 INTRODUCED

1/05 REFERRED TO STATE ADMINISTRATION
DIED IN COMMITTEE

1 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2
2 INTRODUCED BY McCALLIM

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4 A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF
5 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA URGING THAT THE
6 PRISONER OF WAR FLAG BE FLOWN OVER THE STATE CAPITOL;
7 SENDING A STRONG SIGNAL TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED
8 STATES AND THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS THAT IT IS THE DESIRE
9 OF THE CITIZENS OF THE STATE OF MONTANA THAT ALL MEANS
10 AVAILABLE SHALL BE USED TO EFFECT THE RELEASE OF ALL
11 PRISONERS OF WAR AND TO ACCOUNT FOR ALL SERVICEMEN MISSING
12 IN ACTION.

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14 WHEREAS, 13 long years after American involvement in
15 the Vietnam War ended, 2,400 American servicemen, including
16 17 Montanans, still remain unaccounted for; and

17 WHEREAS, the American people believe that the
18 Indo-Chinese governments are still holding American
19 prisoners of war (POW); and

20 WHEREAS, numerous sightings of alleged American
21 prisoners of war have been reported to the Defense
22 Intelligence Agency since the mid-1970s; and

23 WHEREAS, almost 600 American servicemen are missing in
24 action (MIA) in Laos, and Laos has returned no American
25 servicemen; and

1 WHEREAS, one of the highest priorities of President
2 Ronald Reagan is to resolve the POW/MIA issue.

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4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE
5 OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

6 That the Montana Legislature hereby direct that the POW
7 flag be flown over the Montana State Capitol until an
8 accounting of all POWs and MIAs has been concluded, in order
9 to demonstrate the commitment that the citizens of the State
10 of Montana have to our brave men who fought for our country.

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Montana Legislature
12 perform this action in order to send a strong signal to
13 President Reagan and the United States Congress that it is
14 the desire of the people of the State of Montana that all
15 means available be used to effect the earliest possible
16 release of all POWs and as full an accounting of all MIAs as
17 possible.

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State
19 distribute copies of this resolution to the President of the
20 United States, the President of the United States Senate,
21 the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives,
22 and the members of the Montana Congressional Delegation.

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