



# Proclamation

## POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY

**WHEREAS**, when service members take an oath to defend the Constitution of the United States, they do so knowing that they may be called upon to make great sacrifices to ensure and sustain our shared values.

**WHEREAS**, more than 83,204 Americans remain unaccounted for from 73,547 WWII, 7,883 from the Korean War, 1,642 from the Vietnam War, 126 from the Cold War and 6 from the Iraq Theater and other conflicts also remain unaccounted for; and

**WHEREAS**, the number of missing or unaccounted for from Wyoming in WWI (8), WWII (195), the Korean War (13) and Vietnam War (4); and

**WHEREAS**, the families and friends of unaccounted-for Veterans, as well as countless fellow Veterans and other Americans, still await recovery and identification of their loved ones or, if determined unrecoverable, certainly regarding their fates; and

**WHEREAS**, we will not forget these Patriots who were willing to give their all to preserve and protect our freedom; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Green River takes great pride in and endorses the National commitment to account as fully as possible for the Americans still missing from our Nation's wars; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Green River calls on Congress to ensure that POW/MIA-related government offices and organizations receive the funding and personnel necessary to accomplish the principled mission of accounting for our missing Veterans, thus signaling to nations around the world that America stands behind those who serve; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Green River will always stand firm with this pledge to those who are unaccounted for: "**You are Not Forgotten.**"

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that I, Pete Rust, Mayor of Green River, do hereby proclaim September 16, 2022 as **POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY** in the City of Green River in honor of all Americans captured, missing and unaccounted for and ask citizens to observe this day with appropriate ceremonies.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand this 6<sup>th</sup> day of September 2022.

PETE RUST, MAYOR