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[S.J. Res. 47]

To designate “National Former POW Recognition Day”.

Whereas the United States had fought in many wars;
Whereas thousands of Americans who served in such wars were captured by the enemy;
Whereas many American prisoners of war were subjected to brutal and inhumane treatment by their enemy captors in violation of international codes and customs for the treatment of prisoners of war, and many such prisoners of war died or were disabled as a result of such treatment; and
Whereas the great sacrifices of American prisoners of war and their families are deserving of national recognition: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That April 9, 1987, shall be designated as “National Former POW Recognition Day”, and the President of the United States is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to commemorate such day with appropriate activities.

Approved April 8, 1987.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY—S.J. Res. 47:
Mar. 31, considered and passed House.