

ADJOURNMENT—HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND SENATE

March 26, 1970
[S. Con. Res. 59]

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That when the Senate adjourn on March 26, 1970, it stand in adjournment until 12 o'clock meridian, Tuesday, March 31, 1970; and that when the House adjourns on Thursday, March 26, 1970, it stand adjourned until 12 o'clock meridian, Tuesday, March 31, 1970.

Agreed to March 26, 1970.

AMERICAN PRISONERS OF WAR IN SOUTHEAST ASIA—APPEAL
FOR INTERNATIONAL JUSTICEApril 28, 1970
[H. Con. Res. 582]

Whereas the health, safety, and well-being of every individual American serviceman is of great value and importance to this nation; and Whereas over 1,500 American servicemen are imprisoned by Communist forces in Southeast Asia; and

Whereas these captors have refused to identify all of these prisoners of war or servicemen missing in action or provide information as to their health and condition; and

Whereas these captors have denied these prisoners of war the right to regularly communicate by mail with their families; and

Whereas these captors have refused to permit the inspection of the facilities at which these prisoners of war are confined; and

Whereas these captors have refused to exchange or permit medical treatment of sick or wounded prisoners of war; and

Whereas the continued callous exploitation of these helpless men brings anguish and sadness, not only to the families and friends of these prisoners of war, but to compassionate people everywhere; and

Whereas the first of May of each year is recognized as a day of dedication to law and justice: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That it is the sense of Congress

(1) That Friday, May 1, 1970, be commemorated as a day for an appeal for international justice for all the American prisoners of war and servicemen missing in action in Southeast Asia;

(2) That men of compassion and good will throughout the world be urged to search all peaceful avenues available to insure that these men be treated humanely and fairly in accord with the standards established by the Geneva Convention;

(3) That every possible effort be made to secure their early release from captivity;

(4) That the President designate Sunday, May 3, 1970, as a National Day of Prayer for humane treatment and the safe return of these brave Americans; and

(5) That copies of this resolution be delivered by the appropriate representatives of the United States Government to the appropriate representatives of every nation of the world.

Passed April 28, 1970.