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Preamble

WHEREAS, History has been shaped by the brave men and women in the United States Armed Forces who answered the call to America's highest duty; and

WHEREAS, While we honor our veterans for their strength, service, and sacrifice, it is equally important to remember those who are missing in action and remain unaccounted for; and

WHEREAS, There are still thousands of American military personnel whose whereabouts are unknown; and

WHEREAS, Families of these courageous patriots deserve to know that this State has not forgotten their outstanding contributions; and

WHEREAS, Each year people in this State and across the country join together in remembrance of these missing individuals and to reaffirm our commitment to account for all our POW's and MIA's; now, therefore,

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Transportation

8-651.

- (A) IN THIS SECTION, "POW/MIA FLAG" MEANS THE POW/MIA FLAG OF THE NATIONAL LEAGUE OF FAMILIES OF AMERICAN PRISONERS AND MISSING IN SOUTHEAST ASIA.
- (B) THE POWMIA FLAG FOLLOWING FLAGS SHALL BE FLOWN YEAR ROUND AT EACH REST AREA, WELCOME CENTER, AND EXHIBIT CENTER WITHIN INTERSTATE AND STATE HIGHWAY RIGHTS-OF-WAY:
 - (1) THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES;
 - (2) THE STATE FLAG; AND
- (3) THE POW/MIA FLAG OF THE NATIONAL LEAGUE OF FAMILIES OF AMERICAN PRISONERS AND MISSING IN SOUTHEAST ASIA.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2001.

Approved April 20, 2001.