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**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 18-1003**

101      **CONCERNING RECOGNITION OF MILITARY, VETERANS, AND MIA/POW**  
102              **APPRECIATION DAY.**

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1              WHEREAS, Colorado has a proud and distinguished history of  
2 dedicated military service by men and women of this state whose courage,  
3 heroism, and sacrifice preserve the liberties and democratic way of life set  
4 forth in our state and federal constitutions; and

5              WHEREAS, Colorado is home to a significant number of military  
6 installations, including Fort Carson, the United States Air Force  
7 Academy, Buckley Air Force Base, Peterson Air Force Base, Schriever  
8 Air Force Base, and Cheyenne Mountain Air Force Station, that  
9 contribute not only to the national security of our nation but to the  
10 economic health of our state; and

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
*Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing statute.*  
*Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

1           WHEREAS, Colorado benefits significantly from the presence and  
2 military service of the more than 49,000 men and women in our state who  
3 serve in the United States Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and  
4 Coast Guard; the branch Reserves; the Colorado National Guard; and the  
5 Civil Air Patrol; and

6           WHEREAS, The men and women of the Colorado National Guard  
7 have served in defense of our nation and as the first military responders  
8 in support of civil authorities during domestic emergencies and are  
9 celebrating their 158th anniversary this year; and

10           WHEREAS, In times of conflict around the globe, it is particularly  
11 appropriate to recognize the Coloradans in all branches and components  
12 of the Armed Services who serve around the world to protect the security  
13 and peace of our nation and other nations; and

14           WHEREAS, In addition to active members of the Armed Services,  
15 Colorado is the proud home of more than 412,000 military veterans who  
16 have served their country long and well and who bring great honor and  
17 distinction to the state; and

18           WHEREAS, Colorado is home not only to active duty service  
19 personnel and veterans but also to the countless family members of these  
20 men and women who display the same dedication, courage, and sacrifice;  
21 and

22           WHEREAS, We should also never forget the sacrifices made for  
23 us by the 94 service members from Colorado declared missing in action  
24 or prisoners of war while defending the principles of liberty and justice  
25 in conflicts in Korea, Laos, and Vietnam; now, therefore,

26           *Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Seventy-first*  
27 *General Assembly of the State of Colorado, the Senate concurring herein:*

28           (1) That we, the members of the Seventy-first General Assembly,  
29 hereby extend our heartfelt gratitude to our state's veterans, past and  
30 present, to all military men and women currently serving in the Armed  
31 Services, and to the family members of active duty personnel and veterans  
32 and that we remember and honor those prisoners of war and those missing  
33 in action from previous conflicts;

34           (2) That we express our continued partnership with and support

1 of Fort Carson and maintain our strong commitment to supporting  
2 ongoing military training at the Mountain Post; and

3 (3) That we encourage the citizens of Colorado to join in the  
4 celebration of Colorado's Military, Veterans, and MIA/POW  
5 Appreciation Day on January 26, 2018, in recognition and honor of the  
6 thousands of fellow citizens in the military who protect and serve their  
7 communities, state, and country.

8 *Be It Further Resolved*, That copies of this Joint Resolution be sent  
9 to President Donald J. Trump; Governor John Hickenlooper; General Lori  
10 J. Robinson, Commander, North American Aerospace Defense Command  
11 and United States Northern Command; General John W. Raymond,  
12 Commander, Air Force Space Command; Lieutenant General Jay B.  
13 Silveria, Superintendent, United States Air Force Academy; Major  
14 General Michael A. Loh, Adjutant General of Colorado; Major General  
15 Randy A. George, Commanding General, 4th Infantry Division and Fort  
16 Carson; Colonel Troy L. Endicott, Commander of the 460th Space Wing,  
17 Buckley Air Force Base; Colonel Jennifer L. Grant, Commander, 50th  
18 Space Wing, Air Force Space Command, Schriever Air Force Base;  
19 Colonel Todd Moore, Commander, 21st Space Wing, Peterson Air Force  
20 Base; Colonel Christopher L. Grice, Commander, Pueblo Chemical  
21 Depot; the Colorado Board of Veterans Affairs; the United Veterans  
22 Committee of Colorado; the Mountain States Chapter, Paralyzed Veterans  
23 of America; the American Legion Department of Colorado; the  
24 Department of Colorado Veterans of Foreign Wars; the Broomfield  
25 Veterans Memorial Museum; the Wings Over the Rockies Air and Space  
26 Museum; and each member of Colorado's Congressional delegation.