

**A-Engrossed**  
**House Bill 2762**

Ordered by the House March 25  
Including House Amendments dated March 25

Sponsored by Representative CLEM; Representatives BAILEY, BARKER, BARNHART, BEYER, BOONE, BUCKLEY, CANNON, D EDWARDS, GARRETT, GILLIAM, HOLVEY, KAHL, KOMP, KRIEGER, MATTHEWS, NATHANSON, READ, RILEY, ROBLAN, SCHAUFLEER, SHIELDS, STIEGLER, TOMEI

**SUMMARY**

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

Designates May 8 of each year as Military **Family** Appreciation Day.  
**Declares emergency, effective on passage.**

**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

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2 Relating to United States Armed Forces; and declaring an emergency.

3       Whereas Oregonians have a long-standing tradition of serving in the Armed Forces of the United  
4 States, with thousands of Oregonians giving their lives in defense of this country; and

5       Whereas the contributions of Oregon military personnel have been vital to maintaining the  
6 freedoms and way of life that Americans cherish; and

7       Whereas it is vital to raise awareness of the sacrifices that our brave men and women in uni-  
8 form have made in the past and continue to make in order to defend the United States Constitution  
9 and to preserve the liberties that enrich this great nation; and

10       Whereas it is important to recognize and honor the sacrifices, support and dedication of the  
11 families of the men and women who have served; and

12       Whereas Oregonians recognize the importance of maintaining a strong, well-equipped, well-  
13 educated and well-trained military to safeguard freedoms and maintain peacekeeping missions  
14 around the world; now, therefore,

15 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

16       **SECTION 1.** May 8 of each year shall be known as Military Family Appreciation Day.

17       **SECTION 2.** This 2009 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public  
18 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2009 Act takes effect  
19 on its passage.  
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New sections are in **boldfaced** type.