

**Enrolled**  
**House Bill 2762**

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, SCHAUFLER, SHIELDS, STIEGLER, TOMEI

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AN ACT

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**SECTION 2. This 2009 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2009 Act takes effect on its passage.**

**Passed by House March 31, 2009**

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Chief Clerk of House

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Speaker of House

**Passed by Senate April 29, 2009**

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President of Senate

**Received by Governor:**

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**Approved:**

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Governor

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