

# **Universal Guide for State Legislation**

*Based on Congressional Bill language for*

## **Honor and Remember Flag Recognition Act**

**\*\*REFERENCE COPY\*\***

**It is our objective that the Honor and Remember Flag be designated to fly at a minimum on all federal holidays. States may choose to continuously fly the remembrance flag 365 days where appropriate. If states do not choose to require the flying of Honor and Remember it can be legislated as simply the state's official symbol of remembrance.**

**All information with the yellow highlight is to be replaced with EACH STATE's pertinent information. The MODEL reference language for specific state guidance is as follows:**

## **ADD STATE FLAG CODE INFORMATION**

**AN ACT TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY  
ADDING SECTION 1-1-713A SO AS TO DESIGNATE THE HONOR AND  
REMEMBER FLAG, CREATED BY HONOR AND REMEMBER, INC. AS THE  
OFFICIAL STATE EMBLEM OF OUR CONCERN AND COMMITMENT OF THE  
SERVICE AND SACRIFICE BY THOSE IN THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES  
WHO HAVE GIVEN THEIR LIVES IN THE LINE OF DUTY, OR AS A RESULT OF  
SERVING, AND THEIR FAMILIES.**

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- 1.* The Honor and Remember Flag
  - 2.* created by Honor and Remember, Inc., is designated as the
  - 3.* symbol of our State's concern and commitment to honoring
  - 4.* and remembering the lives of all members of the United
  - 5.* States Armed Forces who have lost their lives while serving
  - 6.* or as a result of service, and their families.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 1, 2013

Sponsor name introduced the following bill; which was referred to the \_\_\_\_\_ Committee

*State code information here*, to designate the Honor

7. and Remember Flag created by Honor and Remember, Inc., as an

8. official symbol to recognize and honor members of the Armed

9. Forces who died while serving or as a result of serving,

10. and their families.

11. The Honor and Remember Flag

12. created by Honor and Remember, Inc., is designated as the

13. symbol of our State's concern and commitment to honoring

14. and remembering the lives of all members of the United

15. States Armed Forces who have lost their lives while serving

16. or as a result of service and their families, and for other

17. purposes.

18. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of  
the State of \_\_\_\_\_*

19. *in the State of Arizona assembled,*

20. **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

21. This Act may be cited as the “Honor and Remember Flag  
Recognition Act”.

22. **SECTION 2. DESIGNATION OF HONOR AND  
REMEMBER FLAG FOR FALLEN MEMBERS OF THE  
ARMED FORCES.**

23. (a) Findings.

24. (1) Since the Revolutionary War, more than one million  
25. members Of the United States Armed Forces have paid the  
26. ultimate price by sacrificing their lives in the line of duty.

27. (2) The contribution of those fallen members of the Armed  
28. Forces are deserving of national recognition.

29. (3) Currently, there is no officially recognized symbol that  
30. specifically acknowledges members of the Armed Forces  
31. who have died in the line of duty.

32. (b) DESIGNATION –state flag code info here  
33. is amended by adding at the end the following new section:  
34. **“§904. Honor and Remember Flag for fallen members of**  
35. **the Armed Forces**

36. “(a) DESIGNATION.- The Honor and Remember Flag  
37. created by Honor and Remember, Inc., is designated as the  
38. symbol of our State’s concern and commitment to honoring  
39. and remembering the lives of all members of the United  
40. States Armed Forces who have lost their lives while serving  
41. or as a result of service and their families.

42. Whereas, the Honor and Remember Flag’s red field  
43. represents the blood shed by brave men and women who  
44. sacrificed their lives for freedom and the flag’s white field  
45. and border recognizes the purity of that sacrifice.. The flag’s  
46. blue star is a symbol of active service in military conflict  
47. that dates back to World War I, The flag’s gold star signifies  
48. the ultimate sacrifice of a warrior in active service who is not  
49. returning home and reflects the value of the life given. The

50. folded flag element highlights this nation’s final tribute to a  
51. fallen service member and a family’s sacrifice. The flag’s  
52. flame symbolizes the eternal spirit of the departed; and  
53. Whereas, the Honor and Remember Flag is a unifying  
54. symbol recognizing this nation’s solemn debt to the  
55. estimated 1.6 million fallen service members throughout  
56. history and the families and communities who mourn their  
57. loss.

58. “(b) REQUIRED DISPLAY.- (1) The Honor and Remember  
59. Flag shall be displayed at the locations specified in  
60. subsection (c) on the days specified in paragraph (2).

61. “(2) The required Honor and Remember Flag display days  
62. are the following:

63. “(A) Armed Forces Day, the third Saturday in May.

64. “(B) Memorial Day, the last Monday in May.

65. “(C) Flag Day, June 14.

66. “(D) Fourth of July.

67. ‘(E) National POW/MIA Recognition Day.

68. “(F) Veterans Day, November 11.
69. “(G) Gold Star Mother’s Day, the last Sunday of September.
70. “(H) Whenever there is a state military casualty.
71. In addition to the days specified in paragraph (2), Honor and
72. Remember Flag should display at all state military memorials
73. and state veteran cemeteries,
74. any day on which the flag of the United States is displayed;
75. “(c) LOCATIONS FOR FLAG DISPLAY.-
76. The locations for the display of the Honor and Remember
77. Flag under subsection (b) are the following:
78. “(1) The State Capitol.
79. “(2) the building that serves as the location of the superior
80. court in a county.
81. The building that serves as the city or town hall of each
82. incorporated city or town. Any other state locations that are
83. deemed appropriate for that state.
84. “(d) DISPLAY TO BE IN A MANNER VISIBLE
85. TO THE PUBLIC.- Display of the Honor and Remember

86. Flag pursuant to this section shall be in a manner designed to
87. Ensure visibility to the public.
88. “(e) LIMITATION.- This section may not be construed or
89. Applied so as to require any employee to report to work
90. solely for the purpose of providing for the display of the
91. Honor and Remember Flag or any other flag”.
92. (c) CLERICAL AMMENDMENT.- The table of sections at
93. The beginning of such chapter is amended by adding at the
94. end the following new item:
95. “904. Honor and Remember Flag for fallen members of the Armed Forces.”.
96. (d) REGULATIONS FOR IMPLEMENTATION.- Not
97. later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,
98. the head of each department, agency, or other establishment
99. responsible for a location specified in subsection (c) of
100. section ## of title ##, State Code, as added by
101. subsection (a), shall prescribe such regulations as necessary
102. to carry out such section.
103. (e) PROCUREMENT AND DISTRIBUTION OF FLAGS.-



104. Not later than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this
105. Act, the Administrator of General Services shall commence
106. The procurement of Honor and Remember Flags and
107. Distribute them as necessary to permit compliance with
108. **Section ## of title ##, State Code,** as added by
109. subsection (a).