Beginning in 2000, the week of October 8 to 14 is designated as Mighty Eighth Air Force Week in honor of the Eighth Air Force, the largest military unit to serve in World War II, whose heroic actions during the week of October 8 to 14, 1943, served as a turning point for daytime strategic bombing, despite the loss of 26,000 persons killed in action, over 28,000 prisoners of war, uncounted persons missing in action, and over 100 heavy bombers. Each year thereafter, until 2099, the governor shall issue a proclamation honoring this observance.

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