The State of Washington



Proclamation

WHEREAS, Washington state recognizes the selfless acts of service performed by its brave members of the military and their devoted families; and

WHEREAS, military families continue to face the unique burden of deployments, often causing uncertainty and upending their daily lives and routines; and

WHEREAS, military families know of the sacrifices borne by military children, but their important contributions can at times go unnoticed by the general public; and

WHEREAS, Washington state is home to more than 51,000 military children who have at least one parent serving in the military; and

WHEREAS, military children are a source of pride and honor, and it is fitting that we take time to recognize their contributions, celebrate their spirit, and let our fellow Washingtonians in uniform know that while they are taking care of us, we are taking care of their children; and

WHEREAS, Month of the Military Child provides an opportunity to pay tribute to military children for their commitment, sacrifice, and unconditional support of our service members, because when parents serve in the military, their kids serve too; and

WHEREAS, a month-long salute to military children will encourage local communities to provide direct support to military children and families;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jay Inslee, Governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim April 2023 as

Month of the Military Child

in Washington, and I encourage all Washingtonians in our state to join me in this special observance with ceremonies and activities that honor, support, and thank all military children.

Signed this 27th da

day of March, 2023

Governor Jay Inslee

