# AMERICA'S WHITE TABLE A TIME TO REMEMBER OUR MIA/POW's

THE TABLE SET FOR ONE IS SMALL
Symbolizing the frailty of their existence, alone against their oppressors(Pause)REMEMBER
THE TABLE CLOTH IS WHITE
Symbolizing a purity of heart when answering their country's call-to-arms(Pause)REMEMBER
THE BLACK NAPKIN
reflects the sorrow of captivity(Pause)REMEMBER
A SLICE OF LEMON
is on the bread plate to remind us of their bitter fate(Pause)REMEMBER
THERE IS SALT
on the bread plate, symbolic of the families's tears as they wait their return(Pause)REMEMBER
THE GLASS
is "Inverted" - they cannot toast with us this day

# ...THE CHAIR.....

is "Empty" - they are not here.....(Pause)...REMEMBER...

### ...THE WHITE CANDLE.....

reflects hope and peace.....(Pause)...REMEMBER...

### ...THE SINGLE ROSE.....

in the vase symbolizes the families and loved ones who keep the the faith, awaiting their return.....(Pause)...REMEMBER...

### ...THE RED RIBBON.....

tied so prominently on the vase is reminiscent of the Red Ribbon worn upon the lapel and breast of thousands who bear witness to our unyielding determination to demand a proper accounting of our missing......(Pause)...REMEMBER...

# ...ONCE AGAIN.....

we "REMEMBER" and pay homage to loved ones, friends and comrades-in-arms who have paid the ultimate sacrifice for the freedoms we enjoy this day. All of you who served with them and called them comrades, who depended upon their might and aid and relied up them.....REMEMBER......They have not forgotten or forsaken us.......REMEMBER......lest they be FORGOTTEN......

Please Rise for "TAPS" -- REMAIN STANDING FOR "TOASTS"

"DINNER PRAYER"

--- DINNER WILL BE SERVED