

## GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

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## Yellow Ribbon America

Greetings to all who have gathered to honor our courageous troops and commemorate the sixth anniversary of the September 11 terror attacks.

My utmost gratitude goes to the men and women of our nation's armed forces. They are real life action heroes who risk their lives to defend liberty at home and abroad. I thank all of them for their bravery and service, and on this occasion, I pay special tribute to California's Purple Heart recipients.

As we celebrate the 225th anniversary of the Purple Heart, we should reflect on the great sacrifices of all our nation's heroes throughout history. They have given us the freedoms we enjoy today, and I am proud to join with you in honoring their tremendous service.

My thanks go to all in attendance, and particularly to those at Yellow Ribbon America, for coming together on this day of solemn reflection. On behalf of all Californians, please accept my best wishes for a meaningful observance and every continued success.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger