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## Navajo Nation Memorial Week proclaimed by Speaker Seth Damon

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**WINDOW ROCK, Ariz.** — The 24th Navajo Nation Council issued a proclamation recognizing May 30 to June 3, 2022, as “Navajo Nation Memorial Week” to honor and remember the fallen heroes of our Armed Forces on the 154th Anniversary of Memorial Day.

### **A statement from Speaker Seth Damon in recognition of Memorial Day**

*“Memorial Day is a day when we stand united as one nation to pause and remember. The Navajo Nation honors our fallen heroes of the United States Armed Forces who protected our language, traditional prayers, and cultural teachings. Our men and women in uniform sacrificed their lives defending our homeland within the four sacred mountains and protected our sacred sites and Diné way of life.*

*Over 147 names of Navajo soldiers who were killed in action or are missing in action are etched into the walls at the Navajo Nation Veterans Memorial Park. Each and every one of their names are forever engraved to remind future generations of their sacrifice.*

*We can never fully repay the debt we owe to our fallen heroes and their families during this time, so we offer prayers of healing to bring comfort to our Gold Star and Blue Star Mothers, and our families mourning the loss of a fallen warrior.*

*During Navajo Nation Memorial Week, let us reflect upon the courage, integrity, and selfless dedication of our Diné warriors who have made the greatest sacrifice in service to our great nation. May the Creator and Holy People always protect our men and women serving around the world.”*

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