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*Congressman Becerra presented the flag to American Legion Post 206 Commander David Bloom.*



*Commander Bloom holds up the POW-MIA flag next to congressman Becerra Credit: David Fonseca*

When Highland Park celebrates Memorial Day on Monday, May 28, they will be able to honor

imprisoned and missing veterans with a brand new flag from Congressman Xavier Becerra's (D-Los Angeles) office.

Congressman Becerra presented the black and white POW-MIA flag to Commander David Bloom of American Legion Post 206 at Veterans Square Memorial on Wednesday afternoon.

Becerra, flanked on both sides by Veterans from Highland Park, spoke briefly in front of small crowd. He mentioned the special significance of the POW-MIA flag, which honors those lost or imprisoned at war.

"The special significance of this flag is that it honors those who went to war and never came home," Becerra said. "The flag that we present today, for our prisoners of war and those missing in action, is just a token of our gratitude, not just to those who gave service, and who we remember with this flag, but to each and every one one of those of you who serve."

Commander Bloom thanked Becerra for visiting Highland Park, and for his commitment to Veteran's issues.

"I'd like to thank him for his helping us with Veterans issues at the American Legion itself or for the help he's given me personally," said Bloom, who's wife was able to legally immigrate to United States from Iraq with help from Congressman Becerra. "No matter what its been Congressman Becerra's been 100-percent accessible, 100-percent understanding and 100-percent a true friend."

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