America Honors Iowa Workers on Second Annual Cold War Patriots’ National Day of Remembrance

For the second year in a row, the U.S. Senate passed a resolution designating October 30, 2010 as the National Day of Remembrance honoring the workers who toiled in the nuclear weapons facilities, daily facing exposures to toxic substances, from World War II through the Cold War.

Workers from two facilities in Iowa participated in defending the United States during this period. Line 1/Division B at the Iowa Army Ammunitions plant in Burlington assembled, disassembled, modified and tested nuclear weapons. The Ames Laboratory purified over 2 million pounds of uranium for the Manhattan Project and has since made many significant contributions in material research and development.

These patriots kept our country secure in time of conflict. While some workers have developed serious and often fatal illnesses as a result of occupational exposures, this day is meant to honor all the workers for their historical contributions and dedicated service to their country that continues to protect the United States and our allies today.

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National Day of Remembrance for Nuclear Weapon Program Workers, EEOICP

Links from Cold War Patriots:

DOE Recognizes the National Day of Remembrance

Letter from DOE

Day of Remembrance events on October 29 and 30, 2010

US Senate Approves Second Annual National Day of Remembrance

Senate Passes Bunning, Udall, Alexander, Corker Resolution Honoring Sick Nuclear Workers with a National Day of Remembrance