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Burgas celebrated 107 years since the proclamation of independent Bulgaria. The celebration started with the solemn anthem "Independence" performed by the Burgas representative brass and continued with a church service for the prosperity of Burgas and a ritual of hoisting the national flag and the flags of the European Union and Burgas municipality. Deputy Governor Sevdalina Turmanova, Mayor of Burgas Dimitar Nikolov, Deputy Mayor Krasimir Stoichev, Chairmen of the Municipal Council Kostantin Lukov, Commander-in-chief of Burgas Naval Base Commodore Malen Chubenzkov, members of parliament, members of Municipal Council, patriotic organizations and grateful citizens laid wreaths and flowers on the 24<sup>th</sup> Black sea infantry regiment in commemorating the fallen for defence of Bulgarian independence.