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Raised Bill No. 1158

LCO No. 5143



Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION
AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by:
(GAE)

AN ACT DESIGNATING VARIOUS DAYS, WEEKS AND MONTHS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 10-29a of the general statutes is
2 amended by adding subdivisions (108) to (116), inclusive, as follows
3 (*Effective October 1, 2023*):

4 (NEW) (108) The Governor shall proclaim the month of May of each
5 year as Bone Health and Osteoporosis Month, to raise public awareness
6 of this women's health issue. Suitable exercises may be held in the State
7 Capitol and elsewhere as the Governor designates for the observance of
8 the month.

9 (NEW) (109) The Governor shall proclaim the first week of May of
10 each year to be Tardive Dyskinesia Awareness Week, to raise public
11 awareness of this neurological involuntary movement disorder and
12 available treatments for it. Suitable exercises may be held in the State
13 Capitol and elsewhere as the Governor designates for the observance of
14 the week.

15 (NEW) (110) The Governor shall proclaim May tenth of each year as
16 Ann Petry Day, in recognition of this Connecticut author and her
17 contribution to literature as the first African-American female author to
18 sell more than a million copies of a novel. Suitable exercises may be held
19 in the State Capitol and elsewhere as the Governor designates for the
20 observance of the day.

21 (NEW) (111) The Governor shall proclaim May sixteenth of each year
22 to be Trinity College Day, to recognize the contributions that Trinity
23 College has made to the state upon the anniversary of when the college
24 received its charter on May 16, 1823. Suitable exercises may be held in
25 the State Capitol and elsewhere as the Governor designates for the
26 observance of the day.

27 (NEW) (112) The Governor shall proclaim July eleventh of each year
28 as Bosnian Genocide Remembrance Day, to remember the more than
29 eight thousand Bosniak civilians killed in Srebrenica during the Bosnian
30 war. Suitable exercises may be held in the State Capitol and elsewhere
31 as the Governor designates for the observance of the day.

32 (NEW) (113) The Governor shall proclaim September fourteenth of
33 each year to be Free Enterprise Day, to recognize the contributions that
34 free enterprise has made to the state's economy. Suitable exercises may
35 be held in the State Capitol and elsewhere as the Governor designates
36 for the observance of the day.

37 (NEW) (114) The Governor shall proclaim September seventeenth of
38 each year to be Constitution Day, to commemorate the formation and
39 signing of the United States Constitution. Suitable exercises may be held
40 in the State Capitol and elsewhere as the Governor designates for the
41 observance of the day.

42 (NEW) (115) The Governor shall proclaim October ninth of each year
43 as PANS and PANDAS awareness day to raise awareness of the
44 autoimmune disorders of Pediatric Acute-onset Neuropsychiatric
45 Syndrome and Pediatric Autoimmune Neuropsychiatric Disorders
46 Associated with Streptococcal infections and available treatments for

47 them. Suitable exercises may be held in the State Capitol and elsewhere
48 as the Governor designates for the observance of the day.

49 (NEW) (116) The Governor shall proclaim the holiday period of
50 November twentieth to December twentieth, inclusive, as Survivors of
51 Homicide Victims Awareness Month, to support the family members of
52 victims of homicide by educating and influencing the public about the
53 impact of homicide on families and communities. Suitable exercises may
54 be held in the State Capitol and elsewhere as the Governor designates
55 for the observance of the month.

56 Sec. 2. Subdivisions (103) to (105), inclusive, of subsection (a) of
57 section 10-29a of the general statutes are repealed and the following is
58 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2023*):

59 (103) The Governor shall proclaim the month of March of each year
60 to be Peace Corps Month, in recognition of the service provided by the
61 volunteers of the Peace Corps in supporting the global community.
62 Suitable exercises may be held in the State Capitol and elsewhere as the
63 Governor designates for the observance of the month.

64 (104) [Maternal Mental Health Month.] The Governor shall proclaim
65 the month of May of each year to be Maternal Mental Health Month, to
66 raise awareness of issues surrounding maternal mental health. Suitable
67 exercises may be held in the State Capitol and elsewhere as the
68 Governor designates for the observance of the month.

69 (105) [Maternal Mental Health Day.] The Governor shall proclaim
70 May fifth of each year to be Maternal Mental Health Day, to raise
71 awareness of issues surrounding maternal mental health. Suitable
72 exercises may be held in the State Capitol and elsewhere as the
73 Governor designates for the observance of the day.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2023</i>	10-29a(a)(108) to (116)
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2023</i>	10-29a(a)(103) to (105)

Statement of Purpose:

To designate various days, weeks and months and make technical revisions to existing designations.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]