

Public Act No. 19-152

AN ACT DESIGNATING VARIOUS DAYS AND WEEKS.

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

Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 10-29a of the general statutes is amended by adding subdivisions (87) to (97), inclusive, as follows (*Effective from passage*):

(NEW) (87) The Governor shall proclaim June fifteenth of each year to be Cadet Nurse Corps Day to honor women who served during the Second World War as members of the Cadet Nurse Corps. Suitable exercises may be held in the State Capitol and elsewhere as the Governor designates for the observance of the day.

(NEW) (88) The Governor shall proclaim the fourth week in May of each year to be Connecticut Older Horse Week to spread awareness of the active role that horses play in farming, sports and entertainment and to recognize the retired horses of the state. Suitable exercises may be held in the State Capitol and elsewhere as the Governor designates for the observance of the week.

(NEW) (89) The Governor shall proclaim the first week in September of each year to be Kidney Disease Awareness Week to raise public awareness of the associated presentation and available

treatments for chronic kidney disease or kidney failure, the need for artificial filtering or dialysis, kidney donations and kidney transplants, and the diseases or conditions that impair kidney function such as diabetes and hypertension and the various types of kidney disease such as polycystic kidney disease. Suitable exercises may be held in the State Capitol and elsewhere as the Governor designates for the observance of the week.

(NEW) (90) The Governor shall proclaim November twenty-second of each year to be 22q11.2 Deletion Syndrome Day to raise public awareness of this genetic disease and available treatments for it. Suitable exercises may be held in the State Capitol and elsewhere as the Governor designates for the observance of the day.

(NEW) (91) The Governor shall proclaim May seventeenth of each year to be Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma Day to raise public awareness of this type of brain cancer. Suitable exercises may be held in the State Capitol and elsewhere as the Governor designates for the observance of the day.

(NEW) (92) The Governor shall proclaim December sixth of each year to be Thirteenth Amendment Day to reflect upon, remember and celebrate the ratification of the thirteenth amendment to the United States Constitution, which abolished slavery. Suitable exercises may be held in the State Capitol and elsewhere as the Governor designates for the observance of the day.

(NEW) (93) The Governor shall proclaim June third of each year to be Clubfoot Day to raise public awareness of this musculoskeletal birth deformity and available treatments for it. Suitable exercises may be held in the State Capitol and elsewhere as the Governor designates for the observance of the day.

(NEW) (94) The Governor shall proclaim February twenty-second of

each year to be Encephalitis Day to raise awareness of encephalitis and acknowledge those who have been directly or indirectly affected by encephalitis. Suitable exercises may be held in the State Capitol and elsewhere as the Governor designates for the observance of the day.

(NEW) (95) The Governor shall proclaim July thirtieth of each year to be U.S.S. Indianapolis CA-35 Day to commemorate and honor the cruiser and the service, sacrifice and bravery of the sailors of Connecticut who served aboard the ship during World War II, and in recognition of the U.S.S. Indianapolis CA-35's final sailing crew, the pilots who discovered the survivors and the rescue and recovery crews. Suitable exercises may be held in the State Capitol and elsewhere as the Governor designates for the observance of the day.

(NEW) (96) The Governor shall proclaim April sixteenth of each year to be Advance Directive Awareness Day to raise public awareness of the importance of planning ahead for health care decisions and to encourage the use of advance directives. Suitable exercises may be held in the State Capitol and elsewhere as the Governor designates for the observance of the day.

(NEW) (97) The Governor shall proclaim May sixth of each year to be Moyamoya Awareness Day to raise public awareness of the symptoms and available treatments for this cerebrovascular disease. Suitable exercises may be held in the State Capitol and elsewhere as the Governor designates for the observance of the day.

- Sec. 2. Subdivision (85) of subsection (a) of section 10-29a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
- (85) The Governor shall proclaim November [thirtieth] <u>first</u> of each year to be Sikh Genocide Remembrance Day to remember the lives lost on November [30] <u>1</u>, 1984, during the Sikh Genocide. Suitable exercises

may be held in the State Capitol and elsewhere as the Governor designates for the observance of the day.