

February 24, 2015

From: Killingly Agriculture Commission
Re: HB 5174 An Act Establishing a Children's State Flower

To Whom It May Concern:

In 2014, the Town of Killingly, CT established one of the many Michaela's Gardens in the State at our Town Library. This was a community effort to give recognition to the great and important work of the Petit Family Foundation and to honor the spirit of a young girl who loved Four O'Clock flowers. We had girl scouts, young children, the Killingly Community Garden group, the Library, the Ag Commission, Killingly High School Ag-Ed Dept. and the Killingly Grange all working together to make this happen together with the Petit Foundation.

The Killingly Agriculture Commission would like to lend its support to HB 5174, which would establish four o'clocks as the children's state flower. This would not only be a fitting tribute, but would encourage young people to get involved in growing, seed saving and nurturing gardens of all kinds.

The passage of this bill would aid in the spreading of this message.

The Killingly Agriculture Commission fully supports this bill.

Sincerely,

Frank Anastasio
Killingly Agriculture Commission, Chair