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Bill: H.B. 5174
Connecticut State Children's Flower

Hello-

I am in favor of the Bill to propose making the Four-O'Clocks flower our state flower for children.

When I heard of the horrific home invasion and the suffering the Petit family went through, it was unimaginable to me. I have a friend who lives in Cheshire on the Petit's street and even before the bill was proposed, they told me that the flowers in the yard were a lasting comfort to all who saw them.

We need to honor Michaela and the Petit family by making the Four-O'Clocks the state flower. This is a heartfelt way to remember any child who has left us. The Bill will also teach children that remembering matters and honoring matters.

Thank you for your time and your assistance in passing this bill.

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