



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 1091***

LCO No. 5742



Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION  
AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by:  
(GAE)

***AN ACT DESIGNATING VARIOUS DAYS AND WEEKS.***

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 (87) to (95), inclusive, as follows  
3 (*Effective from passage*):

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

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

15 (NEW) (89) The Governor shall proclaim the first week in  
16 September of each year to be Kidney Disease Awareness Week to raise  
17 public awareness of the associated presentation and available  
18 treatments for chronic kidney disease or kidney failure, the need for  
19 artificial filtering or dialysis, kidney donations and kidney transplants,  
20 and the diseases or conditions that impair kidney function such as  
21 diabetes and hypertension and the various types of kidney disease  
22 such as polycystic kidney disease. Suitable exercises may be held in the  
23 State Capitol and elsewhere as the Governor designates for the  
24 observance of the week.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

59 Sec. 2. Subdivision (85) of subsection (a) of section 10-29a of the  
60 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
61 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

62 (85) The Governor shall proclaim November [~~thirtieth~~] first of each  
63 year to be Sikh Genocide Remembrance Day to remember the lives lost  
64 on November [30] 1, 1984, during the Sikh Genocide. Suitable exercises  
65 may be held in the State Capitol and elsewhere as the Governor  
66 designates for the observance of the day.

67 Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) There is established an account  
68 to be known as the "Centennial Commission on Women's Suffrage  
69 account" which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account within the  
70 General Fund. The account shall contain any moneys required by law  
71 to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account shall be  
72 expended by the Secretary of the State for the purposes of supporting  
73 the activities of the Centennial Commission on Women's Suffrage. The  
74 Secretary of the State may accept donations, grants or financial  
75 assistance for such purpose, which shall be deposited in the account.

<p>This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:</p>
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Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	10-29a(a)
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	10-29a(a)(85)
Sec. 3	<i>from passage</i>	New section

***Statement of Purpose:***

To designate various days and weeks in order to honor or recognize certain groups or raise awareness regarding certain diseases and to create a Centennial Commission on Women's Suffrage account.

*[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.]*