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Young, Lynch, Hamilton, Hartman and Kinsey)



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AN ACT to amend and reenact §2-2-1a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to designating the first Thursday in May the West Virginia Day of Prayer.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That §2-2-1a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 2. LEGAL HOLIDAYS; SPECIAL MEMORIAL DAYS; CONSTRUCTION OF STATUTES; DEFINITIONS.

§2-2-1a. Special memorial days.

1 (a) The Governor shall, by proclamation, declare the week
2 beginning with the Sunday before Thanksgiving as a special
3 memorial week to be known as Native American Indian Heritage
4 Week.

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5 (b) The first Tuesday after the first Monday of November is
6 designated Susan B. Anthony Day and shall only be a legal
7 holiday in all years ending in an even number. The Governor
8 shall annually issue a proclamation calling on all schools, civic
9 organizations, government departments and citizens to undertake
10 activities on the designated day and surrounding days to pay
11 tribute to the accomplishments of Susan B. Anthony in securing
12 the civil and political rights of all Americans, including securing
13 equal voting rights for women.

14 (c) The Governor shall, by proclamation, declare the week
15 during which December 7 falls to be a special memorial week,
16 to be known as Pearl Harbor and Military Appreciation week,
17 honoring all West Virginians who fought in World War II and all
18 other military conflicts and shall encourage all municipalities in
19 the state to do the same. The State Department of Education is
20 directed to implement a program involving activities in which
21 students shall participate which shall recognize the contributions
22 West Virginians have made to their country through service in
23 the United States Military.

24 (d) The Governor shall, by proclamation, declare March 30
25 as a special memorial day to be known as Vietnam Veteran
26 Recognition Day honoring all West Virginians who served in the
27 United States Armed Forces in the Republic of Vietnam during
28 the period beginning February 28, 1961 and ending May 7, 1975,
29 and shall encourage all counties and municipalities in the state
30 to do the same.

31 (e) The Governor shall, by proclamation, declare August 7
32 as a special memorial day, to be known as Purple Heart Recogni-
33 tion Day, honoring all West Virginians who, while serving in the
34 United States Armed Forces, have been wounded or killed in
35 action and shall encourage all municipalities and counties in the
36 state to do the same.

37 (f) The Governor shall, by proclamation, declare July 27 as
38 a special memorial day to be known as Korean War Veteran

39 Recognition Day honoring all West Virginians who served in the
40 United States Armed Forces in the Korean War, and shall
41 encourage all counties and municipalities in the state to do the
42 same.

43 (g) The Governor shall, by proclamation, declare the first
44 Thursday in May as the West Virginia Day of Prayer. The West
45 Virginia Day of Prayer corresponds with the National Day of
46 Prayer, 36 U.S.C. §119, on which the people of West Virginia
47 may turn to God in prayer and meditation at churches, in groups,
48 and as individuals.

That Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Sammy Wells

Chairman, House Committee

Rocky Fitzsimmons
Member ~~Chairman, Senate Committee~~

Originating in the House.

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The within is approved this the 21st
day of March, 2014.

Earl Ray Tomblin
Governor

PRESENTED TO THE GOVERNOR

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