

FIRST REGULAR SESSION
HOUSE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 1021
102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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AN ACT

To repeal sections 9.138, 9.344, 226.1150, 227.441, and 227.539, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof thirty-one new sections relating to state designations.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 9.138, 9.344, 226.1150, 227.441, and 227.539, RSMo, are
2 repealed and thirty-one new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 9.005,
3 9.138, 9.344, 9.369, 9.377, 10.205, 10.246, 10.247, 226.1150, 226.1160, 227.441, 227.539,
4 227.798, 227.818, 227.819, 227.820, 227.821, 227.823, 227.824, 227.825, 227.826, 227.827,
5 227.828, 227.829, 227.831, 227.832, 227.834, 227.835, 227.836, 227.837, and 227.839, to
6 read as follows:

9.005. Beginning January 1, 2024, in order for a day to be designated by the
2 **general assembly in honor of a deceased individual, such individual shall be deceased for**
3 **at least three years. If the individual was killed in combat while on active duty in the**
4 **military or killed in the line of duty as a first responder, such individual shall be**
5 **deceased for at least one year.**

9.138. The governor shall annually issue a proclamation setting apart the first week of
2 March as [~~"Math, Engineering, Technology and Science (METS) Week"~~] "**Science,**
3 **Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) Week"**, and recommending to the people
4 of the state that the week be appropriately observed through activities that will result in an
5 increased awareness of the importance of advancing community interest in [~~math,~~
6 ~~engineering, technology, and science~~] **science, technology, engineering, and math**
7 **programs, and promote [METS] STEM** careers statewide in order to advance Missouri's
8 workforce. The proclamation shall also recommend that the week be observed with
9 appropriate activities in public schools. Public and private involvement in [~~METS~~] **STEM**

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

10 week demonstrates that fostering and encouraging interest in the sciences is a major factor in
11 determining growth and success in school and will help students develop a focus on
12 technology-based careers after graduation.

9.344. September twenty-eighth is hereby designated as "National Good Neighbor
2 Day" and September twenty-eighth and the six subsequent days are hereby designated as
3 "Missouri Good Neighbor Week" in Missouri. Citizens of this state are encouraged to
4 participate in appropriate events and activities to establish connections with their neighbors.
5 Research shows that knowing one's neighbors reduces loneliness, crime, and isolation and
6 leads to safer and more vibrant communities. ~~[Those who lived through the flood survived
7 and rebuilt after the flood waters receded.]~~

**9.369. June twelfth of each year is hereby designated as "Women Veterans
2 Appreciation Day". Citizens of this state are encouraged to engage in appropriate
3 events and activities to recognize and address disparities in care, recognition, and
4 benefits that our women veterans receive; to highlight the growing presence of women in
5 the Armed Forces and the National Guard; and to pay respect to women veterans for
6 their dutiful military service.**

**9.377. November twenty-third each year is hereby designated as "K.C. Wolf
2 Day" in Missouri. The citizens of this state are encouraged to participate in appropriate
3 events and activities to celebrate the mascot of the Kansas City Chiefs football team.**

**10.205. 1. The book entitled "Missouri's Great Flood of '93 - Revisiting an Epic
2 Natural Disaster" by Kenneth L. Kieser is selected for and shall be known as the official
3 state work chronicling the 1993 flood.**

**4 2. The historic flood of 1993 encompassed a nine-state area in the Midwest
5 during the summer of 1993. "Missouri's Great Flood of '93 - Revisiting an Epic Natural
6 Disaster" provides a comprehensive document of history that outlines how the flood
7 occurred meteorologically and how those who lived through the flood survived and
8 rebuilt after the flood waters receded.**

**10.246. The Hawken rifle, a muzzle-loading rifle first manufactured in St. Louis
2 and widely used by fur trappers, traders, and explorers in the early to mid-nineteenth
3 century, is selected for and shall be known as the official state rifle of the state of
4 Missouri.**

**10.247. The city of Piedmont and the county of Wayne are hereby selected for
2 and shall be known as the "UFO Capitals of Missouri". Hundreds of UFO sightings
3 occurred in Piedmont and Wayne County, Missouri, between February and April 1973.
4 These incidents were part of a large pattern of UFO sightings throughout the United
5 States in 1973.**

226.1150. The counties located along the Missouri River that were greatly influenced by early German settlers including Boone, Chariton, Saline, Lafayette, Cooper, Howard, Moniteau, Cole, Callaway, Osage, Gasconade, Montgomery, Warren, Franklin, St. Charles, ~~[and]~~ St. Louis, **and Perry**, and the City of St. Louis, shall be designated the "German Heritage Corridor of Missouri". The department of transportation may place suitable markings and informational signs in the designated areas. Costs for such designation shall be paid by private donations.

226.1160. The region of southeast Missouri that includes the South County area of St. Louis county and the counties of Jefferson, Franklin, Crawford, Dent, Shannon, Oregon, Ste. Genevieve, Washington, St. Francois, Madison, Iron, Perry, Wayne, Reynolds, Bollinger, Cape Girardeau, Scott, Mississippi, Stoddard, Ripley, Butler, Carter, New Madrid, Pemiscot, and Dunklin shall be designated the "Stars and Stripes Historic Region of Missouri". The department of transportation may place suitable markings and informational signs in the designated areas. Costs for such designation shall be paid by private donation.

227.441. The newly constructed bridge on the CST David Hoeckel Parkway that crosses over Interstate 70 in Wentzville in St. Charles County shall be designated as "Marine LCPL Jared Schmitz Memorial Bridge". The department of transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs designating such bridge, with the costs to be paid by private donations. **Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the signs designating the bridge shall be placed along Interstate 70 as close to the bridge as practicable.**

227.539. The portion of State Highway 30 from ~~[State Highway 24]~~ **Sappington Road** continuing east to State Highway P in St. Louis County shall be designated as "Officer Blake Snyder Memorial Highway". The department of transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs designating such highway, with the costs to be paid by private donations.

227.798. The portion of Pine Street (Business 60) from North Westwood Boulevard (Business 67) continuing to B Street within the City of Poplar Bluff in Butler County shall be designated the "Rev Dr Martin Luther King Jr Memorial Highway". The department of transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs designating such highway, with the costs to be paid by private donations.

227.818. The Missouri portion of the new bridge (Chester Bridge) on State Highway 51 crossing over the Mississippi River in Perry County to the Missouri/Illinois state line shall be designated as the "Don Welge Memorial Bridge". The Missouri department of transportation and the Illinois department of transportation shall collaborate in designating, erecting, and maintaining appropriate signs designating their state's portion of the bridge, with the costs to be paid by private donations.

227.819. The bridge on State Highway 367 crossing over Chambers Road in St. Louis County shall be designated the "Police SGT Herschel Turner Jr Memorial Bridge". The department of transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs designating such bridge, with the costs to be paid by private donations.

227.820. The portion of Interstate 70 from Union Boulevard continuing west to State Highway U in St. Louis City and St. Louis County shall be designated as "James W Brooks Memorial Highway". The department of transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs designating such highway, with the costs to be paid by private donations.

227.821. The portion of U.S. Highway 50 from Bahner Quarry Road continuing west to Tower Road through the City of Tipton in Moniteau County shall be designated the "SGT James L Shipley Memorial Highway". The department of transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs designating such highway, with the costs to be paid by private donations.

227.823. The portion of State Highway 94 from Interstate 70 continuing east to State Highway 370 in St. Charles County shall be designated the "Representative Tom Hannegan Memorial Highway". The department of transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs designating such highway, with the costs to be paid by private donations.

227.824. The portion of State Highway 291 from State Highway 78 to State Highway 24 in Jackson County shall be designated the "Police Officer Blaize Madrid-Evans Memorial Highway". The department of transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs designating such highway, with the costs to be paid by private donations.

227.825. The bridge on State Highway 231 crossing over the Meramec River in St. Louis and Jefferson Counties shall be designated the "Det Antonio Valentine Memorial Bridge". The department of transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs designating such bridge, with the costs to be paid by private donations.

227.826. The bridge on Loop 44/Range Line Road crossing over the Kansas City Southern Railroad in the City of Joplin in Newton County shall be designated the "CPL Ben Cooper Memorial Bridge". The department of transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs designating such bridge, with the costs to be paid by private donations.

227.827. The bridge on CST Connecticut Avenue that crosses over Interstate 44 within the city of Joplin in Newton County shall be designated the "Officer Timothy Nielson Memorial Bridge". The department of transportation shall erect and maintain

4 appropriate signs designating such bridge, with the costs to be paid by private
5 donations.

227.828. The portion of State Highway 133 beginning one mile south of State
2 Highway T to one mile north of State Highway T in Pulaski County shall be designated
3 the "CPL Homer Hoover Shultz Memorial Highway". The department of
4 transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs designating such highway,
5 with the costs to be paid by private donations.

227.829. The portion of Business Highway 61 in Pike County from its
2 intersection with Airport Road continuing south to its intersection with Missouri Route
3 161 in the City of Bowling Green shall be designated as "John Walter Basye Memorial
4 Highway". The department of transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate
5 signs designating such highway, with the costs to be paid by private donations.

227.831. The portion of State Highway A from State Highway 42 continuing west
2 to Boeckman Bridge Road in Miller County shall be designated the "Officer Walter W
3 Farrow Memorial Highway". The department of transportation shall erect and
4 maintain appropriate signs designating such highway, with the costs to be paid by
5 private donations.

227.832. The portion of State Highway F from Gaylord Drive continuing east to
2 Westminster Avenue in the City of Fulton in Callaway County shall be designated the
3 "Sam Santhuff Memorial Highway". The department of transportation shall erect and
4 maintain appropriate signs designating such highway, with the costs to be paid by
5 private donations.

227.834. The portion of Interstate 64 from the Interstate 64 ramp to Interstate
2 270 continuing east to Spoede Road in St. Louis County shall be designated the "Major
3 Lee Berra Memorial Highway". The department of transportation shall erect and
4 maintain appropriate signs designating such highway, with the costs to be paid by
5 private donations.

227.835. The portion of Interstate 70 from Salisbury Street continuing south to
2 its intersection with St. Louis Avenue in the City of St. Louis shall be designated as
3 "Ethel Hedgemon Lyle Memorial Highway". The department of transportation shall
4 erect and maintain appropriate signs designating such highway, with the costs to be paid
5 by private donations.

227.836. The bridge on Telegraph Road passing over Interstate 255 in St. Louis
2 County shall be designated the "Kaitlyn Anderson Memorial Bridge". The department
3 of transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs designating such bridge,
4 with the costs to be paid by private donations.

227.837. The portion of State Highway 210 from CST Diamond Parkway
2 continuing east to CST Chouteau Trafficway in Clay County shall be designated as
3 "Officer Daniel Vasquez Memorial Highway". The department of transportation shall
4 erect and maintain appropriate signs designating such bridge, with the costs to be paid
5 by private donations.

227.839. The portion of U.S. 69 from Crown Hill Road continuing north to Tracy
2 Avenue within the City of Excelsior Springs in Clay County shall be designated the
3 "Coach Vic Bonuchi Highway". The department of transportation shall erect and
4 maintain appropriate signs designating such highway, with the costs to be paid by
5 private donations.

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