

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 3529

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE SMITH (46).

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JOSEPH ENGLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 9, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to Eliot and Muriel Battle day.

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

Section A. Chapter 9, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 9.516, to read as follows:

9.516. June twenty-eighth each year is hereby designated as "Eliot and Muriel Battle Day" in Missouri. The citizens of this state are encouraged to participate in appropriate events and activities to celebrate the lives of Eliot Battle, the first Black faculty member at Hickman High School in Columbia, and Muriel Battle, the first Black principal in the Columbia Public School District. The couple worked as a team to ease racial tensions during the 1960s and have been recognized with schools in Columbia named in their honor: Eliot Battle Elementary School and Muriel Williams Battle High School.

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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.