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# HOUSE BILL NO. 2797

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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KRISTINA MARTIN, Secretary

## AN ACT

To amend chapters 9, 10, 226, and 227, RSMo, by adding thereto forty-four new sections relating to state designations.

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

Section A. Chapters 9, 10, 226, and 227, RSMo, are amended  
2 by adding thereto forty-four new sections, to be known as  
3 sections 9.041, 9.171, 9.292, 9.293, 9.294, 9.383, 9.386,  
4 9.388, 9.394, 9.397, 9.402, 9.408, 9.409, 9.500, 10.258,  
5 226.1170, 227.822, 227.839, 227.840, 227.841, 227.842, 227.843,  
6 227.844, 227.845, 227.846, 227.847, 227.848, 227.849, 227.851,  
7 227.852, 227.854, 227.855, 227.856, 227.860, 227.861, 227.862,  
8 227.863, 227.864, 227.865, 227.867, 227.869, 227.870, 227.873,  
9 and 227.874, to read as follows:

**9.041. August sixth each year is hereby designated as**  
2 **"Chris Sifford Day" in Missouri. In the year 2000, an**  
3 **airplane carrying Chris Sifford, along with Governor Mel**  
4 **Carnahan and Roger "Randy" Carnahan, tragically went down**  
5 **and took with it the lives of three great Missourians.**  
6 **Chris is remembered as a loving and devoted public servant**  
7 **who was a friend to all. Missourians are encouraged to**  
8 **reflect on the lives and legacies of these three men and to**  
9 **recognize and appreciate the hardworking public servants of**  
10 **this state.**

9.171. October sixth of each year shall be known and  
2 designated as "Blake C. Snyder Day" in Missouri in honor of  
3 St. Louis County Police Officer Blake C. Snyder who was  
4 killed in the line of duty. The citizens of this state are  
5 encouraged to participate in events and activities to honor  
6 the life and sacrifice of Officer Snyder.

9.292. August nineteenth of each year shall be known  
2 and designated as "Eddie Gaedel Day" in Missouri in honor of  
3 Eddie Gaedel, who as a member of the St. Louis Browns on  
4 August 19, 1951, became the shortest player to ever play  
5 Major League Baseball. Eddie Gaedel is an important part of  
6 baseball history and Missouri sports history. The citizens  
7 of this state are encouraged to participate in events and  
8 activities to celebrate Eddie Gaedel's contributions to  
9 baseball history.

9.293. April twenty-fourth of every year shall be  
2 known and designated as "Cedric the Entertainer Day" in  
3 Missouri in honor of Cedric the Entertainer, a Missouri  
4 native and iconic figure in the world of entertainment. The  
5 citizens of this state are encouraged to participate in  
6 events and activities to celebrate the legendary entertainer.

9.294. February twentieth of each year shall be known  
2 and designated as "John Donaldson Day" in Missouri. The  
3 citizens of this state are encouraged to participate in  
4 appropriate activities and events to commemorate the life  
5 and accomplishments of John Donaldson, one of the best  
6 pitchers to play in the Negro Leagues and a member of the  
7 inaugural Kansas City Monarchs team.

9.383. The fourth Wednesday of February of each year  
2 shall be known and is hereby designated as "Hypertrophic  
3 Cardiomyopathy Awareness Day". Hypertrophic cardiomyopathy  
4 ("HCM") is a chronic cardiac disease involving thickening of

5 the heart muscle and may lead to debilitating symptoms and  
6 serious complications including heart failure, atrial  
7 fibrillation, stroke, and in rare cases, sudden cardiac  
8 death. HCM is the most common inheritable heart disease and  
9 may affect anyone, regardless of age, gender, or ethnicity.  
10 An estimated seven hundred thousand to one million six  
11 hundred fifty thousand people in the United States have HCM,  
12 but eighty-five percent of this number may remain  
13 undiagnosed. The citizens of this state are encouraged to  
14 participate in appropriate awareness and educational  
15 activities for hypertrophic cardiomyopathy, its symptoms,  
16 available screening and treatment options, and efforts to  
17 improve treatment for patients.

9.386. The last Saturday of April of each year is  
2 hereby designated as "Emmett Kelly Day" in Missouri. The  
3 citizens of this state are encouraged to participate in  
4 appropriate events and activities to honor the life of  
5 Emmett Kelly, who was a famous circus performer, also known  
6 as Weary Willie, from Houston, Missouri.

9.388. The second Tuesday of April of each year is  
2 hereby designated as "Celia Day" in Missouri in honor of  
3 Celia, an enslaved woman who lived in Callaway County. The  
4 teachers and students of the schools of this state are  
5 encouraged to observe the day with age-appropriate  
6 instruction regarding Celia and her story.

9.394. May sixth of every year shall be known and  
2 designated as "Advanced Practice Registered Nurses  
3 Appreciation Day" in Missouri. The citizens of this state  
4 are encouraged to observe the day with appropriate  
5 activities and events to recognize and support the work and  
6 contributions that advanced practice registered nurses  
7 provide to the health care of citizens of this state.

9.397. The first full week in May each year is hereby  
2 designated as "Missouri Compost Awareness Week". The  
3 citizens of this state are encouraged to participate in  
4 appropriate events and activities to recognize the  
5 importance of composting food scraps and yard waste and  
6 using compost to create healthier soil.

9.402. May eighth of each year is hereby designated as  
2 "Amyloidosis Awareness Day" in Missouri. The citizens of  
3 this state are encouraged to participate in appropriate  
4 events and activities to raise awareness of this rare and  
5 life-threatening disease.

9.408. June twenty-first of each year shall be known  
2 and is hereby designated as "Make Music Day" in Missouri.  
3 The citizens of this state are encouraged to participate in  
4 appropriate events and activities to demonstrate the power  
5 of music as providing enjoyment, building cultural  
6 connections, raising social awareness, celebrating history,  
7 and examining the whole of the human experience.

9.409. 1. The week in which January fifth falls each  
2 year shall be known and designated as "Kappa Alpha Psi Week"  
3 in Missouri. The citizens of this state are encouraged to  
4 observe the day with appropriate activities and events to  
5 commemorate the founding of the fraternity.

6 2. Kappa Alpha Psi was founded on January 5, 1911, at  
7 Indiana University, in Bloomington, Indiana, by Elder Watson  
8 Diggs, Byron Kenneth Armstrong, Guy Levis Grant, Marcus  
9 Peter Blakemore, Ezra Dee Alexander, John Milton Lee, Henry  
10 Tourner Asher, Edward Giles Irvin, George Wesley Edmonds,  
11 and Paul Waymond Caine.

12 3. Founding member Henry Tourner Asher was an educator  
13 and instructor at Lincoln Institute, now known as Lincoln  
14 University of Missouri, in Jefferson City.

15           4. Kappa Alpha Psi is the second oldest existing  
16 collegiate historically Black Greek-letter fraternity and  
17 the first intercollegiate fraternity incorporated as a  
18 national body. The fraternity has over two hundred fifty  
19 thousand members with seven hundred undergraduate and alumni  
20 chapters in nearly every state of the United States, and  
21 thirteen international chapters in Nigeria, South Africa,  
22 Bermuda, Bahamas, U.S. Virgin Islands, Panama, United  
23 Kingdom, Germany, South Korea, Dominican Republic, Abu  
24 Dhabi, Canada, and Japan.

25           5. Through its worldwide prominence, Kappa Alpha Psi  
26 has had a global impact on events that affect our local  
27 communities and places around the globe. Local chapters of  
28 Kappa Alpha Psi participate in community outreach activities  
29 to feed the homeless, provide scholarships to young people  
30 matriculating to college, serve as mentors to young men,  
31 participate in blood drives, and serve as hosts of seminars  
32 for public health awareness, to name a few. Nationally,  
33 Kappa Alpha Psi has provided summer enrichment camps and  
34 funds for St. Jude Medical Research Center to assist in the  
35 fight against childhood catastrophic diseases by raising  
36 more than one million dollars. Internationally, Kappa Alpha  
37 Psi members have answered the call to service by proudly  
38 serving our military in wars since WWI and raising funds to  
39 assist those in need following natural disasters worldwide,  
40 including hurricanes, tornadoes, typhoons, and earthquakes.

41           6. Kappa Alpha Psi proudly boasts members who  
42 epitomize the essence of "Achievement in Every Field of  
43 Human Endeavor". Some of these members include Ralph  
44 Abernathy, Wilt Chamberlain, Montell Jordan, Benjamin  
45 Jealous, Oscar Robertson, Cedric the Entertainer, Arthur  
46 Ashe, Mike Tomlin, Gayle Sayers, Adrian Fenty, Robert S.

47 Abbott, Bennie Thompson, Donald Byrd, Johnnie Cochran, Ed  
48 Gardner, Smokie Norful, John Singleton, Tom Bradley, Bob  
49 Johnson, John Conyers, Alcee Hastings, Lerone Bennett, Jr.,  
50 Kwame Jackson, Bill Russell, Tavis Smiley, Marvin Sapp, and  
51 Colin Kaepernick.

9.500. Beginning January 1, 2025, in order for a day  
2 to be designated by the general assembly in honor of a  
3 deceased individual, such individual shall be deceased for  
4 at least three years. If the individual was killed in  
5 combat while on active duty in the military or killed in the  
6 line of duty as a first responder, such individual shall be  
7 deceased for at least one year.

10.258. The city of Waverly in Lafayette County is  
2 hereby selected for and shall be known as the "Apple Capital  
3 of Missouri".

226.1170. The department of transportation, in  
2 consultation with the Ozark Highland Distillers Guild, shall  
3 erect and maintain suitable markings and informational signs  
4 designating the Ozark Highlands Spirits Region in accordance  
5 with the map produced pursuant to subsection 4 of section  
6 311.028. Signs shall be located along highways approaching  
7 or entering the region, with the costs to be paid by private  
8 donation.

227.822. The portion of U.S. 54 from Industrial Park  
2 Road continuing east to Business 54 in Pike County shall be  
3 designated the "Cotton Fitzsimmons Memorial Highway". The  
4 department of transportation shall erect and maintain  
5 appropriate signs designating such highway, with the costs  
6 to be paid by private donations.

227.839. The portion of U.S. Highway 63 from Lanning  
2 Lane continuing north to State Highway BB/10th Street in  
3 Phelps County shall be designated the "Dr Dan Brown Memorial

4 Highway". The department of transportation shall erect and  
5 maintain appropriate signs designating such highway, with  
6 the costs to be paid by private donations.

227.840. The portion of U.S. Highway 54 from one mile  
2 east of the bridge over the Middle River to one mile west of  
3 the bridge over the Middle River in Callaway County shall be  
4 designated the "Celia Memorial Highway". The department of  
5 transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs  
6 designating such highway, with the costs to be paid by  
7 private donations.

227.841. The portion of U.S. Highway 50 from CRD Nowak  
2 Road continuing east to CRD Danz Road in Gasconade County  
3 shall be designated the "Police Chief Mason Griffith  
4 Memorial Highway". The department of transportation shall  
5 erect and maintain appropriate signs designating such  
6 highway, with the costs to be paid by the department of  
7 transportation.

227.842. The portion of U.S. Highway 160 from  
2 Interstate 49 continuing east to County Road SE 25th Lane in  
3 Barton County shall be designated the "Sheriff John Harlow  
4 Memorial Highway". The department of transportation shall  
5 erect and maintain appropriate signs designating such  
6 highway, with the costs to be paid by the department of  
7 transportation.

227.843. The portion of U.S. Highway 160 from  
2 Interstate 49 continuing west to State Highway J in Barton  
3 County shall be designated the "Sheriff Roy Patterson  
4 Memorial Highway". The department of transportation shall  
5 erect and maintain appropriate signs designating such  
6 highway, with the costs to be paid by the department of  
7 transportation.

227.844. The portion of State Highway K from County  
2 Road NW 115th Lane continuing west to State Highway P  
3 through the city of Liberal in Barton County shall be  
4 designated the "Constable W Earl Gowdy Memorial Highway".  
5 The department of transportation shall erect and maintain  
6 appropriate signs designating such highway, with the costs  
7 to be paid by the department of transportation.

227.845. The portion of State Highway 32 from COE  
2 Stockton Dam Road continuing east to COE Stockton Dam Road  
3 in Cedar County shall be designated the "Sheriff Charles  
4 LaRew Memorial Highway". The department of transportation  
5 shall erect and maintain appropriate signs designating such  
6 highway, with the costs to be paid by the department of  
7 transportation.

227.846. The portion of State Highway J from County  
2 Road 1120 continuing north to County Road 900 in Cedar  
3 County shall be designated the "LT Deputy William Harville  
4 Memorial Highway". The department of transportation shall  
5 erect and maintain appropriate signs designating such  
6 highway, with the costs to be paid by the department of  
7 transportation.

227.847. The portion of State Highway J from State  
2 Highway 32 continuing north to County Road 1120 in Cedar  
3 County shall be designated the "Sheriff John Payntor  
4 Memorial Highway". The department of transportation shall  
5 erect and maintain appropriate signs designating such  
6 highway, with the costs to be paid by the department of  
7 transportation.

227.848. The bridges on Interstate 49 crossing over  
2 State Highway 96 in the City of Carthage in Jasper County  
3 shall be designated the "Patrolman E.O. Bray Memorial  
4 Bridge". The department of transportation shall erect and

5 maintain appropriate signs designating such bridge, with the  
6 costs to be paid by the department of transportation.

227.849. The bridges on State Highway 171 crossing  
2 over the MNA Railroad in Webb City in Jasper County shall be  
3 designated the "City Marshal Leonard S Rich Memorial  
4 Bridge". The department of transportation shall erect and  
5 maintain appropriate signs designating such bridge, with the  
6 costs to be paid by the department of transportation.

227.851. The portion of Interstate 49 from State  
2 Highway HH continuing north to State Highway 571/171/96  
3 through the City of Carthage in Jasper County shall be  
4 designated the "SGT Scott Arner Memorial Highway". The  
5 department of transportation shall erect and maintain  
6 appropriate signs designating such highway, with the costs  
7 to be paid by the department of transportation.

227.852. The portion of State Highway 96 from County  
2 Road 230 continuing east to State Highway O through the City  
3 of Oronogo in Jasper County shall be designated the "City  
4 Marshal Melvin Stiles Memorial Highway". The department of  
5 transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs  
6 designating such highway, with the costs to be paid by the  
7 department of transportation.

227.854. The portion of U.S. Highway 63 from the south  
2 end of CRD 637 loop continuing north through the City of  
3 Freeburg to Dogwood Street in Osage County shall be  
4 designated the "POW/MIA SSG Paul Hasenbeck Memorial  
5 Highway". The department of transportation shall erect and  
6 maintain appropriate signs designating such highway, with  
7 the costs to be paid by the department of transportation.

227.855. 1. The department of transportation shall  
2 place a sign at the city limits, or other suitable location  
3 as determined by the department of transportation, of the

4 hometown of any Missouri resident who is a recipient of the  
5 Medal of Honor, with the sign location based on available  
6 right-of-way, coordination with existing traffic control  
7 devices, and impact on roadway safety. Such signs shall be  
8 erected, maintained, and paid for by the department of  
9 transportation by appropriation from the Missouri medal of  
10 honor recipients fund, established under section 226.925.

11 2. The signs shall include the words "Medal of Honor  
12 Recipient", the name of the recipient, and the year in which  
13 such person received the award. The overall design of the  
14 sign, including size, color, and lettering, shall be  
15 designated by the department based on available space in the  
16 right-of-way and to conform with the guidelines provided in  
17 the Department of Transportation Manual on Uniform Traffic  
18 Control Devices.

19 3. For purposes of this section, "hometown" means the  
20 city, town, or village in which the award recipient resided  
21 for a majority of his or her lifetime. Only one city, town,  
22 or village shall be designated as a recipient's hometown and  
23 signs honoring such recipient shall be placed on only one  
24 route through the recipient's hometown.

25 4. The department of transportation may promulgate  
26 rules and regulations to implement and administer the  
27 provisions of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule,  
28 as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created  
29 under the authority delegated in this section shall become  
30 effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of  
31 the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section  
32 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and  
33 if any of the powers vested with the general assembly  
34 pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective  
35 date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently

36 held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking  
37 authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28,  
38 2024, shall be invalid and void.

227.856. The bridge on Business 54 crossing over South  
2 Fork Salt River in Audrain County shall be designated the  
3 "US Army SPC4 James W Cahall Memorial Bridge". The  
4 department of transportation shall erect and maintain  
5 appropriate signs designating such bridge, with the costs to  
6 be paid by the department of transportation.

227.860. The bridge on U.S. Highway 71 crossing over  
2 Blue River Rd, Blue River, and 85th Street in Jackson County  
3 in Kansas City shall be designated the "Fallen Firefighters  
4 Memorial Bridge". The department of transportation shall  
5 erect and maintain appropriate signs designating such  
6 bridge, with the costs to be paid by the department of  
7 transportation.

227.861. The portion of State Highway 210 from Egypt  
2 Road continuing east to Brashears Road in Ray County shall  
3 be designated the "SP4 Forrest P Dickey Memorial Highway".  
4 The department of transportation shall erect and maintain  
5 appropriate signs designating such highway, with the costs  
6 to be paid by the department of transportation.

227.862. The portion of U.S. Highway 24 from Davis  
2 Road continuing east to Ferguson Spring Road in Jackson  
3 County shall be designated the "WWII Robert Earl Sauls  
4 Memorial Highway". The department of transportation shall  
5 erect and maintain appropriate signs designating such  
6 highway, with the costs to be paid by private donations.

227.863. The portion of Interstate 44 from State  
2 Highway 68/State Highway 8 continuing east to State Hwy U in  
3 Phelps County shall be designated the "CW2 Rusten Smith  
4 Memorial Highway". The department of transportation shall

5 erect and maintain appropriate signs designating such  
6 highway, with the costs to be paid by the department of  
7 transportation.

227.864. The portion of State Highway 19 from Kimmich  
2 Road continuing north to State Highway B in Montgomery  
3 County shall be designated the "SGT Norbert Overkamp Jr  
4 Memorial Highway". The department of transportation shall  
5 erect and maintain appropriate signs designating such  
6 highway, with the costs to be paid by the department of  
7 transportation.

227.865. The bridge on State Highway 106 crossing over  
2 Jacks Fork River in Shannon County shall be designated the  
3 "POW/MIA Thomas Hunt Memorial Bridge". The department of  
4 transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs  
5 designating such bridge, with the costs to be paid by the  
6 department of transportation.

227.867. The portion of Interstate 49 from State  
2 Highway HH continuing north to State Highway 171 in Jasper  
3 County shall be designated the "Patrolman Lane Burns  
4 Memorial Highway". The department of transportation shall  
5 erect and maintain appropriate signs designating such  
6 highway, with the costs to be paid by the department of  
7 transportation.

227.869. The portion of Missouri Highway 19 from  
2 County Road 5090 continuing south to State Route B/State  
3 Route K junction in Dent County shall be designated the  
4 "Dillard Family Highway". The department of transportation  
5 shall erect and maintain appropriate signs designating such  
6 highway, with the costs to be paid by private donations.

227.870. The portion of U.S. 61 from CRD Adams Road  
2 continuing north to State Highway OO in Lincoln and Pike  
3 Counties shall be designated the "Gunnery Sergeant Kenneth D

4 Warren Memorial Highway". The department of transportation  
5 shall erect and maintain appropriate signs designating such  
6 highway, with the costs to be paid by private donations.

227.873. The portion of State Highway 32 from State  
2 Highway 123 continuing east to 65th road in Polk County  
3 shall be designated the "US Navy ENS Paul C Phifer Memorial  
4 Highway". The department of transportation shall erect and  
5 maintain appropriate signs designating such highway, with  
6 the costs to be paid by the department of transportation.

227.874. The portion of Interstate 70 from State  
2 Highway 131 continuing east to State Highway O/M in  
3 Lafayette County shall be designated the "Officer Cody Allen  
4 Memorial Highway". The department of transportation shall  
5 erect and maintain appropriate signs designating such  
6 highway, with the costs to be paid by the department of  
7 transportation.

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