

SENATE SUBSTITUTE
FOR
SENATE BILL NO. 964
AN ACT

To amend chapters 9, 10, 226, and 227, RSMo, by adding thereto twenty 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 twenty new sections, to be known as sections
3 9.041, 9.171, 9.292, 9.293, 9.294, 9.383, 9.386, 9.394, 9.397,
4 9.402, 9.408, 9.409, 9.500, 10.258, 226.1170, 227.822, 227.839,
5 227.841, 227.854, and 227.870, to read as follows:

9.041. August sixth of each year is hereby designated
2 as "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 and
5 took with it the lives of three great Missourians. Chris is
6 remembered to have been 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.

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

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

2 9.383. The fourth Wednesday of February of each year
3 shall be known and is hereby designated as "Hypertrophic
4 Cardiomyopathy Awareness Day". Hypertrophic cardiomyopathy
5 ("HCM") is a chronic cardiac disease involving thickening of
6 the heart muscle and may lead to debilitating symptoms and
7 serious complications including heart failure, atrial
8 fibrillation, stroke, and in rare cases, sudden cardiac
9 death. HCM is the most common inheritable heart disease and
10 may affect anyone, regardless of age, gender, or ethnicity.
11 An estimated seven hundred thousand to one million six
12 hundred fifty thousand people in the United States have HCM,
13 but eighty-five percent of this number may remain
14 undiagnosed. The citizens of this state are encouraged to
15 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.

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

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

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

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

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

6 connections, raising social awareness, celebrating history,
7 and examining the whole of the human experience.

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

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

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

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

26 5. Through its worldwide prominence, Kappa Alpha Psi
27 has had a global impact on events that affect our local
28 communities and places around the globe. Local chapters of
29 Kappa Alpha Psi participate in community outreach activities
30 to feed the homeless, provide scholarships to young people
31 matriculating to college, serve as mentors to young men,
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.

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

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

2 226.1170. The department of transportation, in
3 consultation with the Ozark Highland Distillers Guild, shall
4 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.

2 227.822. The portion of U.S. 54 from Industrial Park
3 Road continuing east to Business 54 in Pike County shall be
4 designated as "Cotton Fitzsimmons 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 private donations.

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

2 227.841. The portion of U.S. Highway 50 from CRD Nowak
3 Road continuing east to CRD Danz Road in Gasconade County
4 shall be designated as "Police Chief Mason Griffith 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.

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

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