

General Assembly

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Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by: (GAE)

AN ACT DESIGNATING VARIOUS DAYS, WEEKS AND MONTHS, PORTLAND AS THE GOLF CAPITAL OF THE STATE, A SHELTER PET AS THE STATE PET AND THE LOLLIPOP AS THE STATE CANDY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Section 10-29a of the 2022 supplement to the general
- 2 statutes is amended by adding subdivisions (104) to (111), inclusive, as
- 3 follows (Effective October 1, 2022):
- 4 (NEW) (104) The Governor shall proclaim the month of March of each
- 5 year to be Women Veterans Month, in recognition of the service
- 6 provided by women veterans. Suitable exercises may be held in the State
- 7 Capitol and elsewhere as the Governor designates for the observance of
- 8 the month.
- 9 (NEW) (105) The Governor shall proclaim the month of September of
- 10 each year to be Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month, to raise public
- 11 awareness of Ovarian Cancer and available treatments for it. Suitable
- 12 exercises may be held in the State Capitol and elsewhere as the

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13 Governor designates for the observance of the month.

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(NEW) (106) The Governor shall proclaim the month of September of each year to be Polycystic Ovary Syndrome Awareness Month, to raise public awareness of Polycystic Ovary Syndrome and available treatments for it. Suitable exercises may be held in the State Capitol and elsewhere as the Governor designates for the observance of the month.

19 (NEW) (107) The Governor shall proclaim the week beginning on 20 May first of each year to be Tardive Dyskinesia Awareness Day, to raise 21 public awareness of this neurological involuntary movement disorder 22 and available treatments for it. Suitable exercises may be held in the 23 State Capitol and elsewhere as the Governor designates for the 24 observance of the week.

25 (NEW) (108) The Governor shall proclaim June thirteenth of each year to be Albinism Awareness Day, to raise public awareness of Albinism. Suitable exercises may be held in the State Capitol and 28 elsewhere as the Governor designates for the observance of the day.

(NEW) (109) The Governor shall proclaim September seventh of each year to be Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy Awareness Day, to raise public awareness of this rare genetic disease that causes progressive muscular degeneration and weakness and available treatments for it. Suitable exercises may be held in the State Capitol and elsewhere as the Governor designates for the observance of the day.

(NEW) (110) The Governor shall proclaim September fourteenth of each year to be Free Enterprise Day, to recognize the contributions that free enterprise has made to the state's economy. Suitable exercises may be held in the State Capitol and elsewhere as the Governor designates for the observance of the day.

(NEW) (111) The Governor shall proclaim September seventeenth of each year to be Constitution Day, to commemorate the formation and signing of the United States Constitution. Suitable exercises may be held in the State Capitol and elsewhere as the Governor designates for the

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- 44 observance of the day.
- 45 Sec. 2. Subdivision (103) of subsection (a) of section 10-29a of the 2022
- 46 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is
- 47 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2022*):
- 48 (103) The Governor shall proclaim the month of March of each year
- 49 to be Peace Corps Month, in recognition of the service provided by the
- 50 volunteers of the Peace Corps in supporting the global community.
- 51 Suitable exercises may be held in the State Capitol and elsewhere as the
- 52 Governor designates for the observance of the month.
- Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) The town of Portland shall be the
- 54 golf capital of the state.
- Sec. 4. (NEW) (Effective from passage) A shelter pet shall be the state
- 56 pet.
- 57 Sec. 5. (NEW) (Effective from passage) The lollipop shall be the state
- 58 candy.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2022	10-29a
Sec. 2	October 1, 2022	10-29a(a)(103)
Sec. 3	from passage	New section
Sec. 4	from passage	New section
Sec. 5	from passage	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To designate various days, weeks and months, Portland as the golf capital of the state, a shelter pet as the state pet and the lollipop as the state candy.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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