

1 **ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL APPRECIATION WEEK**

2 2017 GENERAL SESSION

3 STATE OF UTAH

4 **Chief Sponsor: J. Stuart Adams**

5 House Sponsor: Stephen G. Handy

7 **LONG TITLE**

8 **General Description:**

9 This bill designates Animal Care and Control Appreciation Week.

10 **Highlighted Provisions:**

11 This bill:

- 12 ▶ designates a week in April as Animal Care and Control Appreciation Week.

13 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

14 None

15 **Other Special Clauses:**

16 This bill provides a special effective date.

17 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

18 AMENDS:

19 **63G-1-401**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapter 218

21 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

22 Section 1. Section **63G-1-401** is amended to read:

23 **63G-1-401. Commemorative periods.**

24 (1) The following days shall be commemorated annually:

25 (a) Bill of Rights Day, on December 15;

26 (b) Constitution Day, on September 17;

27 (c) Yellow Ribbon Day, on the third Monday in May, in honor of men and women who
28 are serving or have served in the United States Armed Forces around the world in defense of
29 freedom;

- 30 (d) POW/MIA Recognition Day, on the third Friday in September;
- 31 (e) Indigenous People Day, on the Monday immediately preceding Thanksgiving;
- 32 (f) Utah State Flag Day, on March 9;
- 33 (g) Vietnam Veterans Recognition Day, on March 29;
- 34 (h) Utah History Day at the Capitol, on the Friday immediately following the fourth
- 35 Monday in January, to encourage citizens of the state, including students, to participate in
- 36 activities that recognize Utah's history; and
- 37 (i) Juneteenth Freedom Day, on the third Saturday in June, in honor of Union General
- 38 Gordon Granger proclaiming the freedom of all slaves on June 19, 1865, in Galveston, Texas.
- 39 (2) The Department of Veterans' and Military Affairs shall coordinate activities, special
- 40 programs, and promotional information to heighten public awareness and involvement relating
- 41 to Subsections (1)(c) and (d).
- 42 (3) The month of October shall be commemorated annually as Italian-American
- 43 Heritage Month.
- 44 (4) The month of November shall be commemorated annually as American Indian
- 45 Heritage Month.
- 46 (5) The month of April shall be commemorated annually as Clean Out the Medicine
- 47 Cabinet Month to:
- 48 (a) recognize the urgent need to make Utah homes and neighborhoods safe from
- 49 prescription medication abuse and poisonings by the proper home storage and disposal of
- 50 prescription and over-the-counter medications; and
- 51 (b) educate citizens about the permanent medication disposal sites in Utah listed on
- 52 useonlyasdirected.org that allow disposal throughout the year.
- 53 (6) The first full week of May shall be commemorated annually as State Water Week
- 54 to recognize the importance of water conservation, quality, and supply in the state.
- 55 (7) The second Friday and Saturday in August shall be commemorated annually as
- 56 Utah Fallen Heroes Days to:
- 57 (a) honor fallen heroes who, during service in the military or public safety, have

58 sacrificed their lives to protect the country and the citizens of the state; and

59 (b) encourage political subdivisions to acknowledge and honor fallen heroes.

60 (8) The third full week in August shall be commemorated annually as Drowsy Driving

61 Awareness Week to:

62 (a) educate the public about the relationship between fatigue and driving performance;

63 and

64 (b) encourage the Department of Public Safety and the Department of Transportation to
65 recognize and promote educational efforts on the dangers of drowsy driving.

66 (9) The third full week of June shall be commemorated annually as Workplace Safety
67 Week to heighten public awareness regarding the importance of safety in the workplace.

68 (10) The second full week of April shall be commemorated annually as Animal Care
69 and Control Appreciation Week to recognize and increase awareness within the community of
70 the services that animal care and control professionals provide.

71 Section 2. **Effective date.**

72 If approved by two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, this bill takes effect
73 upon approval by the governor, or the day following the constitutional time limit of Utah
74 Constitution, Article VII, Section 8, without the governor's signature, or in the case of a veto,
75 the date of veto override.