

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.

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