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Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Hunter G. Goodman, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6078** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

Secretary

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**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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By Senate Governmental Operations (originally sponsored by Senators McCoy, Kohl-Welles, and Conway)

READ FIRST TIME 01/31/14.

1 AN ACT Relating to recognizing "Native American Heritage Day";
2 amending RCW 1.16.050 and 28A.150.050; and creating a new section.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The Washington state legislature finds
5 that:

6 (a) Native Americans have long inhabited the area now known as
7 Washington state, living in sustainable cultures based on cooperation
8 and respect for the land and all creatures;

9 (b) Native Americans suffered many grave injustices when nontribal
10 people settled in Washington state, but endured to preserve remarkable
11 American Indian cultures;

12 (c) Native Americans have contributed immeasurably to Washington
13 state and the United States as scholars, artists, entrepreneurs, and
14 leaders in all realms of society;

15 (d) Native Americans have served with honor and distinction in the
16 United States armed forces, and many made the ultimate sacrifice in
17 that service;

18 (e) Many states have designated days, weeks, or months honoring
19 Native American heritage, and on October 21, 2013, President Barack

1 Obama proclaimed November 2013 as National Native American Heritage
2 Month and called upon all Americans to celebrate November 29, 2013, as
3 Native American Heritage Day; and

4 (f) More than one hundred eighty federally acknowledged Native
5 American tribes in the United States, including many Washington state
6 tribes, support recognizing a day honoring Native American heritage.

7 (2) The Washington state legislature therefore intends to recognize
8 and honor Washington state's proud and resonant Native American
9 heritage by designating the Friday immediately following the fourth
10 Thursday in November, currently a state legal and school holiday, as
11 "Native American Heritage Day."

12 **Sec. 2.** RCW 1.16.050 and 2013 c 5 s 1 are each amended to read as
13 follows:

14 (1) The following are state legal holidays:

15 (a) Sunday;

16 (b) The first day of January, commonly called New Year's Day;

17 (c) The third Monday of January, (~~being~~) celebrated as the
18 anniversary of the birth of Martin Luther King, Jr.;

19 (d) The third Monday of February, to be known as Presidents' Day
20 and (~~to be~~) celebrated as the anniversary of the births of Abraham
21 Lincoln and George Washington;

22 (e) The last Monday of May, commonly known as Memorial Day;

23 (f) The fourth day of July, (~~being~~) the anniversary of the
24 Declaration of Independence;

25 (g) The first Monday in September, to be known as Labor Day;

26 (h) The eleventh day of November, to be known as Veterans' Day;

27 (i) The fourth Thursday in November, to be known as Thanksgiving
28 Day;

29 (j) The (~~day~~) Friday immediately following (~~Thanksgiving~~) the
30 fourth Thursday in November, to be known as Native American Heritage
31 Day; and

32 (k) The twenty-fifth day of December, commonly called Christmas
33 Day.

34 (2) Employees of the state and its political subdivisions, except
35 employees of school districts and except those nonclassified employees
36 of institutions of higher education who hold appointments or are
37 employed under contracts to perform services for periods of less than

1 twelve consecutive months, (~~shall be~~) are entitled to one paid
2 holiday per calendar year in addition to those specified in this
3 section. Each employee of the state or its political subdivisions may
4 select the day on which the employee desires to take the additional
5 holiday provided for (~~herein~~) in this section after consultation with
6 the employer pursuant to guidelines to be promulgated by rule of the
7 appropriate personnel authority, or in the case of local government by
8 ordinance or resolution of the legislative authority.

9 (3) If any of the (~~above specified~~) state legal holidays
10 specified in this section are also federal legal holidays but observed
11 on different dates, only the state legal holidays (~~shall be~~) are
12 recognized as a paid legal holiday for employees of the state and its
13 political subdivisions (~~except that for~~). However, for port
14 districts and the law enforcement and public transit employees of
15 municipal corporations, either the federal or the state legal holiday
16 is recognized as a paid legal holiday, but in no case may both (~~may~~)
17 holidays be recognized as a paid legal holiday for employees.

18 (4) Whenever any state legal holiday (~~is~~):

19 (a) Other than Sunday, falls upon a Sunday, the following Monday
20 (~~shall be~~) is the legal holiday (~~is~~
21 ~~Whenever any legal holiday~~); or

22 (b) Falls upon a Saturday, the preceding Friday (~~shall be~~) is the
23 legal holiday.

24 (5) Nothing in this section (~~shall~~) may be construed to have the
25 effect of adding or deleting the number of paid holidays provided for
26 in an agreement between employees and employers of political
27 subdivisions of the state or as established by ordinance or resolution
28 of the local government legislative authority.

29 (6) The legislature declares that the following days are recognized
30 as provided in this subsection, but may not be considered legal
31 holidays for any purpose:

32 (a) The thirteenth day of January (~~shall be~~),
33 recognized as Korean-American day (~~but shall not be considered a legal holiday for~~
34 ~~any purposes.~~

35 ~~The legislature declares that~~);

36 (b) The twelfth day of October (~~shall be~~),
37 recognized as Columbus day (~~but shall not be considered a legal holiday for any purposes.~~

38 ~~The legislature declares that~~);

1 (c) The ninth day of April (~~(shall be)~~), recognized as former
2 prisoner of war recognition day (~~((but shall not be considered a legal~~
3 ~~holiday for any purposes.~~

4 ~~The legislature declares that))~~;

5 (d) The twenty-sixth day of January (~~(shall be)~~), recognized as
6 Washington army and air national guard day (~~((but shall not be~~
7 ~~considered a legal holiday for any purposes.~~

8 ~~The legislature declares that))~~;

9 (e) The seventh day of August (~~(shall be)~~), recognized as purple
10 heart recipient recognition day (~~((but shall not be considered a legal~~
11 ~~holiday for any purposes.~~

12 ~~The legislature declares that))~~;

13 (f) The second Sunday in October (~~(be)~~), recognized as Washington
14 state children's day (~~((but shall not be considered a legal holiday for~~
15 ~~any purposes.~~

16 ~~The legislature declares that))~~;

17 (g) The sixteenth day of April (~~(shall be)~~), recognized as Mother
18 Joseph day (~~(and)~~);

19 (h) The fourth day of September, recognized as Marcus Whitman
20 day(~~(, but neither shall be considered legal holidays for any purpose.~~

21 ~~The legislature declares that))~~;

22 (i) The seventh day of December (~~(be)~~), recognized as Pearl Harbor
23 remembrance day (~~((but shall not be considered a legal holiday for any~~
24 ~~purpose.~~

25 ~~The legislature declares that))~~;

26 (j) The twenty-seventh day of July (~~(be)~~), recognized as national
27 Korean war veterans armistice day (~~((but shall not be considered a legal~~
28 ~~holiday for any purpose.~~

29 ~~The legislature declares that))~~;

30 (k) The nineteenth day of February (~~(be)~~), recognized as civil
31 liberties day of remembrance (~~((but shall not be considered a legal~~
32 ~~holiday for any purpose.~~

33 ~~The legislature declares that))~~;

34 (l) The nineteenth day of June (~~(be)~~), recognized as Juneteenth, a
35 day of remembrance for the day the slaves learned of their freedom(~~(,~~
36 ~~but shall not be considered a legal holiday for any purpose.~~

37 ~~The legislature declares that))~~; and

1 persons or circumstances is not affected.

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