

AN ACT concerning government.

**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
represented in the General Assembly:**

Section 5. The State Commemorative Dates Act is amended by adding Sections 13 and 195 as follows:

(5 ILCS 490/13 new)

Sec. 13. Monarch Month. The month of May of each year is designated as Monarch Month to be observed throughout the State as a month to honor the Monarch Butterfly, which is the official State insect of the State of Illinois.

(5 ILCS 490/195 new)

Sec. 195. Day of the Horse. The fifth day of March of each year shall be designated as the Day of the Horse, to be observed throughout the State as a day to encourage citizens to honor and celebrate the role of equines in the history and character of Illinois, and to recognize the benefits of the equine industry to the economy, agriculture, tourism, and quality of life in Illinois.

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law.