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An Act To Designate July 12th as Wyeth Day

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, this legislation needs to take effect before July 12, 2009, the birthday of Andrew Wyeth; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 1 MRSA §150-C is enacted to read:

§ 150-C. Wyeth Day

The Governor shall annually issue a proclamation designating July 12th of each year as Wyeth Day in recognition of the birthday of Andrew Wyeth, one of America's great artists. The observance is created to honor Andrew Wyeth, who had long and lasting ties with this State, and his family and their strong contributions to the State's artistic and cultural heritage and is meant to coincide with appropriate commemorative activities throughout the State. The Department of Education shall make appropriate information available to the people and the schools within the limits of its budget.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.

SUMMARY

This bill establishes July 12th of each year as Wyeth Day, in honor of the birthday of Andrew Wyeth, to honor one of America's great artists who had long and lasting ties to the State.