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An Act To Establish Juneteenth Independence Day

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

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

§ 150-F. Juneteenth Independence Day

The Governor shall annually issue a proclamation designating the 3rd Saturday in June as Juneteenth Independence Day to commemorate the day freedom was proclaimed to all slaves in the South by Union General Gordon Granger in 1865, 2 1/2 years after the Emancipation Proclamation was signed.

SUMMARY

This bill establishes the 3rd Saturday in June as Juneteenth Independence Day to commemorate the day freedom was proclaimed to all slaves in the South.