

1 AN ACT concerning government.

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

4 Section 5. The State Commemorative Dates Act is amended by  
5 adding Section 155 as follows:

6 (5 ILCS 490/155 new)

7 Sec. 155. Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and  
8 the Transatlantic Slave Trade. March 25 of each year is  
9 designated as the Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery  
10 and the Transatlantic Slave Trade, a day for the people of the  
11 State to commemorate and reflect upon the contributions of  
12 African American slaves to Illinois and to the United States,  
13 in concert with the United Nations' International Day of  
14 Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic  
15 Slave Trade.

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