

HOUSE BILL 893

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CF SB 472

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Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **General Provisions – Commemorative Days – Caribbean Day**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor annually to proclaim a certain day as Caribbean
4 Day; requiring the proclamation to urge certain organizations to observe Caribbean
5 Day properly; and generally relating to Caribbean Day.

6 BY renumbering

7 Article – General Provisions

8 Section 7–414 through 7–417, respectively

9 to be Section 7–415 through 7–418, respectively

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2014 Volume and 2018 Supplement)

12 BY adding to

13 Article – General Provisions

14 Section 7–414

15 Annotated Code of Maryland

16 (2014 Volume and 2018 Supplement)

17 Preamble

18 WHEREAS, Maryland is home to a substantial number of Caribbean Americans; and

19 WHEREAS, Caribbean Americans have greatly enriched Maryland’s cultural
20 diversity, are very beneficial to its economy, and have contributed to our proud heritage;
21 and

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 WHEREAS, It is appropriate that Maryland celebrate the heritage and contribution
2 of its Caribbean American people; now, therefore,

3 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
4 That Section(s) 7-414 through 7-417, respectively, of Article – General Provisions of the
5 Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s) 7-415 through 7-418,
6 respectively.

7 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read
8 as follows:

9 **Article – General Provisions**

10 **7-414.**

11 **(A) THE GOVERNOR ANNUALLY SHALL PROCLAIM THE FIRST MONDAY IN**
12 **AUGUST AS CARIBBEAN DAY.**

13 **(B) THE PROCLAMATION SHALL URGE EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL**
14 **ORGANIZATIONS TO OBSERVE CARIBBEAN DAY PROPERLY WITH APPROPRIATE**
15 **PROGRAMS, CEREMONIES, AND ACTIVITIES.**

16 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
17 October 1, 2019.