

HB 84 - AS INTRODUCED

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HOUSE BILL **84**

AN ACT declaring May 21 as Ona "Oney" Judge Day and naming the new terminal at Portsmouth international airport at Pease in her honor.

SPONSORS: Rep. Cushing, Rock. 21; Rep. DiLorenzo, Rock. 17; Rep. Harriott-Gathright, Hills. 36; Rep. Wazir, Merr. 17; Sen. Sherman, Dist 24

COMMITTEE: Executive Departments and Administration

ANALYSIS

This bill establishes May 21 as Ona "Oney" Judge Day and names the new airport terminal at the Portsmouth international airport at Pease in her honor.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
 Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struckthrough]~~
 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty One

AN ACT declaring May 21 as Ona "Oney" Judge Day and naming the new terminal at
Portsmouth international airport at Pease in her honor.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 1 New Section; Observances Proclaimed by the Governor; Ona "Oney" Judge Day. Amend RSA
2 4 by inserting after section 13-cc the following new section:

3 4:13-dd Ona "Oney" Judge Day. The governor shall proclaim May 21 of each year as Ona "Oney"
4 Judge Day in New Hampshire, in honor of the day in 1796 on which the enslaved maid Oney Judge
5 seized her freedom from the President's house in Philadelphia where George and Martha
6 Washington were at dinner, and in celebration of her eventually making her way to New Hampshire
7 where she lived in freedom for the rest of her life. The proclamation shall call on the citizens of New
8 Hampshire to observe the day with appropriate ceremonies and activities and call on schools to
9 commemorate the day with appropriate educational activities.

10 2 Airport Terminal at Portsmouth International Airport at Pease Named in Honor of Ona
11 "Oney" Judge. Pursuant to RSA 4:43, the airport terminal at the Portsmouth international airport
12 at Pease, operated under the authority of the Pease development authority, is hereby named the Ona
13 "Oney" Judge terminal in honor of enslaved maid Oney Judge who seized her freedom in 1796 from
14 the President's house in Philadelphia where George and Martha Washington were at dinner, and
15 who eventually made her way to New Hampshire where she lived in freedom for the rest of her life.
16 Appropriate signage may be placed at the airport and the terminal.

17 3 Signage. Any signage authorized pursuant to section 2 of this act shall be approved by the
18 Pease development authority and the cost of such signage shall not be a charge to the state.

19 4 Effective Date.

20 I. Section 1 of this act shall take effect May 21, 2021.

21 II. The remainder of this act shall take effect upon its passage.