

HB 2071 -- EL-HAJJ MALIK EL-SHABAZZ OBSERVATION DAY

SPONSOR: Ellington

This bill designates May 19 of each year as "El-Hajj Malik El-Shabazz Observation Day" in Missouri in honor of El-Hajj Malik El-Shabazz, a human rights activist and courageous advocate for the rights of African Americans who articulated concepts of equality and self-determination and recommends citizens observe the day through activities and events designed to celebrate the life of El-Hajj Malik El-Shabazz; raise awareness about his legacy in the civil rights movement; and encourage the end of violence, crime, substance abuse, and self-loathing that continue to cripple low-income urban communities.