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## Testimony from Jocelyn Foye, executive director of The Womxn Project, in support of Renaming Victory Day (H7326)

I am writing in support of House Bill H7326, which would change the name of the holiday observed on the second Monday of August from “Victory Day” to “**Peace and Remembrance Day.**”

The Womxn Project is a 501c4 that works toward reproductive justice and freedom in Rhode Island. The movement we stand behind is partially based on ensuring people feel safe being themselves within the borders of our state, and I’ve always felt that the name Victory Day is not only racist, but doesn’t illustrate the atrocities of war. I want to see the name change so that we can continue to support veterans’ sacrifices without disparaging others.

Sincerely,  
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