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Monday, April 25, 2016
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04/25/2016

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Memo

To: Rules Committee Members
From: Michael Erke, Bill Referral Consultant
Date: 4/22/2016
Re: Consent Bill Referrals

Since you received your preliminary list of bill referrals, there have been no changes.



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Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 137

Introduced by Assembly Member Harper
(Coauthors: Assembly Members Achadjian, Bigelow, Brough,
Eduardo Garcia, Grove, Lackey, Linder, Mathis, and Patterson)
(Coauthors: Senators Nielsen and Vidak)

February 11, 2016

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 137—Relative to John Wayne.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 137, as introduced, Harper. John Wayne.
This bill would recognize May 26, 2016, as John Wayne Day.
Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, John Wayne was the prototypical American hero,
2 symbolizing such traits as self-reliance, grace under pressure,
3 resolve, and patriotism; and

4 WHEREAS, Born Marion Robert Morrison on May 26, 1907,
5 in Winterset, Iowa, he moved with his parents as a young boy to
6 California; in 1916, while the family was living in Glendale, he
7 began going by “Duke,” a nickname that followed him throughout
8 his life; and

9 WHEREAS, In 1925, he began attending the University of
10 Southern California on a football scholarship, playing offensive
11 lineman; after sustaining a shoulder injury from a bodysurfing
12 accident in Newport Beach just prior to his junior year, he withdrew
13 from the university and began working at Fox Film Corporation
14 as a laborer moving set props and as an occasional extra in movies;
15 and

1 WHEREAS, While working at the studio, he met Wyatt Earp,
2 who was a consultant to Western film director John Ford, and he
3 would adopt some of Earp’s mannerisms for his roles as a cowboy;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, The first film in which he was the leading actor
6 gave him the screen name “John Wayne,” which he would use for
7 the remainder of his acting career; and

8 WHEREAS, Starring in classic Western films such as
9 Stagecoach, Red River, The Searchers, and True Grit, Wayne
10 personified the archetypal cowboy who is rough-edged and
11 plainspoken but also capable of great warmth, kindness, and
12 generosity; he won an Oscar in 1970 for Best Actor for his role as
13 Rooster Cogburn in True Grit; and

14 WHEREAS, In The Alamo, his first film as a director, John
15 Wayne played the role of Davy Crockett; the film won an Oscar
16 nomination in 1961 for Best Picture; Wayne also directed and
17 starred in a Vietnam-based movie, The Green Berets, which was
18 released in 1968; and

19 WHEREAS, Wayne was an avid supporter of the United States
20 military and toured bases and hospitals throughout the South
21 Pacific in 1943 and 1944 with the United Service Organizations;
22 he was awarded the Congressional Gold Medal in 1979, engraved
23 with the words “John Wayne, American” encapsulating his entire
24 life; and

25 WHEREAS, John Wayne was one of Newport Beach’s most
26 famous residents; he loved the area and was known as a regular
27 guy around town, frequently hosting other famous Hollywood
28 personalities. His beloved yacht, the Wild Goose, a converted
29 Navy minesweeper now owned and operated by Hornblower
30 Yachts is available for tours and charters out of Newport Beach;
31 and

32 WHEREAS, In 1968, the University of Southern California
33 established The John Wayne Scholarship Fund in his honor; and,
34 upon his passing, in 1979, the John Wayne airport located in
35 Orange County then named Orange County Airport, was renamed
36 John Wayne Airport in honor of his achievements and influence,
37 and a nine-foot-tall statute of him was raised at John Wayne
38 Airport; and

1 WHEREAS, John Wayne was laid to rest in 1979 in his favorite
2 place, Newport Beach, California, with a western-theme plaque
3 depicting a cowboy on horseback; and

4 WHEREAS, In 1985, Wayne’s family founded the John Wayne
5 Cancer Foundation to “bring courage, strength and grit to the fight
6 against cancer”; and

7 WHEREAS, John Wayne was inducted into the California Hall
8 of Fame by then Governor Schwarzenegger in 2007; now,
9 therefore, be it

10 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
11 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature hereby recognizes May
12 26, 2016, as John Wayne Day; and be it further

13 *Resolved*, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor
14 of this special occasion and as a tribute to the life of John Wayne.

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Date of Hearing: April 25, 2016

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Gordon, Chair
ACR 137 (Harper) – As Introduced February 11, 2016

SUBJECT: John Wayne

SUMMARY: Recognizes May 26, 2016, as John Wayne Day. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) John Wayne was the prototypical American hero, symbolizing such traits as self-reliance, grace under pressure, resolve, and patriotism.
- 2) Born Marion Robert Morrison on May 26, 1907, in Winterset, Iowa, he moved with his parents as a young boy to California; in 1916, while the family was living in Glendale, he began going by "Duke," a nickname that followed him throughout his life.
- 3) In 1925, he began attending the University of Southern California on a football scholarship, playing offensive lineman; after sustaining a shoulder injury from a bodysurfing accident in Newport Beach just prior to his junior year, he withdrew from the university and began working at Fox Film Corporation as a laborer moving set props and as an occasional extra in movies.
- 4) The first film in which he was the leading actor gave him the screen name "John Wayne," which he would use for the remainder of his acting career.
- 5) Wayne was an avid supporter of the United States military and toured bases and hospitals throughout the South Pacific in 1943 and 1944 with the United Service Organizations; he was awarded the Congressional Gold Medal in 1979, engraved with the words "John Wayne, American" encapsulating his entire life.
- 6) In 1968, the University of Southern California established the John Wayne Scholarship Fund in his honor; and, upon his passing, in 1979, the John Wayne airport located in Orange County then named the Orange County Airport, was renamed John Wayne Airport in honor of his achievements and influence, and a nine-foot-tall statue of him was raised at the airport.
- 7) In 1985, Wayne's family founded the John Wayne Cancer Foundation to "bring courage, strength and grit to the fight against cancer."
- 8) John Wayne was inducted into the California Hall of Fame by then Governor Schwarzenegger in 2007.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

Analysis Prepared by: Nicole Willis / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

House Resolution

No. 49

**Introduced by Assembly Member Medina
(Coauthor: Assembly Member Alejo)**

April 13, 2016

House Resolution No. 49—Relative to Cinco de Mayo Week.

1 WHEREAS, Cinco de Mayo, or the fifth of May, is
2 memorialized as a significant date in the history of California and
3 Mexico in recognition of the courage of the Mexican people, who
4 defeated a better trained and equipped army at the “Batalla de
5 Puebla”; and

6 WHEREAS, Since the beginning of the American Civil War,
7 Latinos in California have shown their support for the institutions
8 of freedom and democracy by joining the forces of the United
9 States Army, Cavalry, and Navy, risking their lives to defend free
10 institutions; and

11 WHEREAS, Those who were unable to join the Armed Forces
12 of the Union freely offered their support for President Abraham
13 Lincoln; and

14 WHEREAS, The American Civil War, making it impossible
15 for the United States to enforce the Monroe Doctrine, provided an
16 opportunity for the Emperor of France, Napoléon III, to establish
17 a monarchy in Mexico, thereby attempting to destroy democratic
18 institutions that derive their power from the consent of the
19 governed; and

20 WHEREAS, Latinos, including Californians, also offered their
21 support and risked their lives in Mexico to defend freedom and
22 democracy in that country by joining the armed forces of that sister
23 republic; and

1 WHEREAS, Those who were unable to travel to Mexico to
2 physically defend free institutions freely offered their support to
3 President Benito Juárez by organizing over 122 Juntas Patrióticas
4 Mexicanas within California to raise funds that were sent every
5 month from California to Mexico to defray the costs of war in that
6 country; and

7 WHEREAS, Cinco de Mayo serves to remind us that the
8 foundation of any nation and our state is its people, in their spirit
9 and courage in the face of adversity, in the strength of their drive
10 to achieve self-determination, and in their willingness to sacrifice
11 even life itself in the pursuit of freedom and liberty; and

12 WHEREAS, Cinco de Mayo offers an opportunity to reflect on
13 the courage and achievements not only of the Mexican forces at
14 Puebla, but also on the courage and achievements of Latinos here
15 in California; and

16 WHEREAS, Achievements by Latinos in America and
17 California include contributions to all facets of our community;
18 and

19 WHEREAS, Latino voters continue to go to the polls in record
20 numbers and influence the entrance of newly elected Latino public
21 officials in both the Democratic and Republican parties and
22 influence issues that encompass providing affordable housing,
23 investing in our children, ensuring that higher education is
24 affordable and accessible, creating good paying jobs for working
25 families, and improving the overall quality of life for all
26 Californians; and

27 WHEREAS, California's Latinos have contributed to the state's
28 culture and society through their many achievements in music,
29 food, dance, poetry, literature, architecture, entertainment, sports,
30 and a broad spectrum of artistic expression; and

31 WHEREAS, Latinos in California have challenged the frontiers
32 of social and economic justice, thereby improving the working
33 conditions and lives of countless Californians; and

34 WHEREAS, Latino entrepreneurs in the United States are the
35 fastest growing group of business owners in our economy; and

36 WHEREAS, In 2001, the Latino Caucus saw a need to recognize
37 and honor distinguished Latinos for their contributions and
38 dedication to California and the United States' economy and
39 cultural life with the annual Latino Spirit Awards. These recipients
40 are outstanding individuals who have greatly contributed to the

1 wonderful music, poetry, literature, journalism, and entertainment
2 of California, the United States, and the world; now, therefore, be
3 it

4 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, That the*
5 *Assembly urges all Californians to join in celebrating Cinco de*
6 *Mayo, the historic day when the Mexican people defeated the*
7 *French army at the Batalla de Puebla, and to recognize the Latino*
8 *noncombatants in California who freely gave their votes and*
9 *resources to defend free institutions, and the Latinos of California*
10 *who fought to defend the freedom of the United States in every*
11 *armed conflict from the Spanish American War to the current*
12 *conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan; and be it further*

13 *Resolved, That the Assembly declares May 2, 2016, through*
14 *May 6, 2016, as Cinco de Mayo Week; and be it further*

15 *Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies*
16 *of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.*

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Date of Hearing: April 25, 2016

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Gordon, Chair
HR 49 (Medina) – As Introduced April 13, 2016

SUBJECT: Cinco de Mayo Week

SUMMARY: Proclaims May 2, 2016, through May 6, 2016, as Cinco de Mayo Week to honor the Latinos of California who have fought to defend the freedom of the United States.

Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Cinco de Mayo, or the fifth of May, is memorialized as a significant date in the history of California and Mexico in recognition of the courage of the Mexican people, who defeated a better trained and equipped army at the "Batalla de Puebla."
- 2) Achievements by Latinos in America and California include contributions to the states culture and society through their many achievements in music, food, dance, poetry, literature, architecture, entertainment, sports and a broad spectrum of artistic expression.
- 3) Cinco de Mayo offers an opportunity to reflect on the courage and achievements not only of the Mexican forces at Puebla, but also serves to remind us that the foundation of any nation is its people, in their spirit and courage in the face of diversity, in the strength of their drive to achieve self-determination, and in their willingness to sacrifice even life itself in the pursuit of freedom and liberty.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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AMENDED IN SENATE APRIL 6, 2016

Senate Concurrent Resolution

No. 107

Introduced by Senator Lara

**(Coauthors: Senators Anderson, Bates, Cannella, Hall, Hertzberg,
Leno, Liu, Nguyen, and Vidak)**

**(Coauthors: Assembly Members Baker, Chávez, Dodd, Maienschein,
Mullin, O'Donnell, and Patterson)**

February 8, 2016

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 107—Relative to Cambodian
Genocide Memorial Week.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 107, as amended, Lara. Cambodian Genocide Memorial Week.

This measure would ~~recognizes~~ *recognize* the week of April 11 to
April 17, 2016, inclusive, as Cambodian Genocide Memorial Week.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, The Cambodian people have a long and rich
2 cultural heritage symbolized by the temple city Angkor Wat,
3 considered one of the Wonders of the Ancient World, built between
4 the 9th and 12th centuries, *that* stands as a living icon of the
5 endurance and genius of all Cambodians throughout the world;
6 and
7 WHEREAS, Early connections between the United States and
8 Cambodia began in the 1950s, when Cambodia sent bright and
9 talented college students to universities, including California State
10 Universities in Long Beach and Los Angeles, to study technical
11 trades, engineering, and agriculture with the assistance of the

1 United States Agency for International Development (USAID);
2 and

3 WHEREAS, The relationship between the United States and
4 Cambodia had been forged through educational and professional
5 exchange, and therefore in 1975, with the impending overthrow
6 of the government by the totalitarian Khmer Rouge regime, the
7 United States accepted over 4,000 Cambodian evacuees to ensure
8 their safety; and

9 WHEREAS, April 17, 2016, will mark both the 41st anniversary
10 of the Khmer Rouge, led by Pol Pot, seizing control of Cambodia
11 and the beginning of the Cambodian Genocide; and

12 WHEREAS, Between April 17, 1975, and January 7, 1979, the
13 Khmer Rouge of Democratic Kampuchea, led by Pol Pot, *General*
14 ~~Secretary-General~~ of the Communist Party of Kampuchea, and
15 other members of the Standing Committee of the Central
16 Committee of the Communist Party of Kampuchea and their agents,
17 committed acts of genocide and other crimes against humanity;
18 and

19 WHEREAS, The genocide and other crimes against humanity
20 committed against the people of Cambodia, including various
21 religious groups and ethnic minorities, during the Khmer Rouge
22 regime led to the deaths of over 1,700,000 Cambodians, which
23 was 21 percent of the nation's population; and

24 WHEREAS, The Khmer Rouge regime also sought to eliminate
25 all aspects of Cambodian culture by systematically killing those
26 with education, separating families, and destroying institutions
27 such as Buddhist temples, schools, libraries, dance, and music;
28 and

29 WHEREAS, Countless victims have since come forward to tell
30 their stories of imprisonment, starvation, slavery, rape, and
31 systematic forced marriage; and

32 WHEREAS, After the overthrow of the Khmer Rouge regime
33 in 1979, over 140,000 Cambodians came to the United States as
34 refugees, a group of special humanitarian and foreign policy
35 concern to the United States because of the well-founded fear of
36 persecution for reasons of race, religion, nationality, membership
37 in a particular social group, or political opinion and thus in need
38 of protection in accordance with the United Nations' 1951
39 Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees; and

1 WHEREAS, The State of California has the largest population
2 of Cambodians and the City of Long Beach is known around the
3 world as home to the largest Cambodian community outside of
4 Southeast Asia; and

5 WHEREAS, The Cambodian people have drawn from their
6 cultural history to rebuild their lives and communities through
7 participation in American politics on the local and national levels,
8 by establishing local and international businesses, by developing
9 new art forms and community organizations, and by raising a new
10 generation of Americans who promise to contribute to the future
11 of the State of California and the nation; and

12 WHEREAS, The Cambodian ~~genocide~~ *Genocide* was a human
13 tragedy and must be remembered for the scale of violence and
14 devastation perpetrated against the people of ~~Cambodia~~, *Cambodia*
15 so that it does not happen again, there or in any other country; and

16 WHEREAS, In 1994 the United States Congress passed the
17 Cambodian Genocide Justice Act, committing the American
18 government to the pursuit of justice for the victims of the genocide
19 and affirming the policy of the United States to bring members of
20 the Khmer Rouge to justice for their crimes against humanity; and

21 WHEREAS, The genocide and other crimes against humanity
22 did not succeed in destroying the Cambodian people or their
23 culture, in fact the culture and heritage of the Cambodian people
24 continues to this day through the accomplishments of Cambodians
25 and their descendants; and

26 WHEREAS, The suffering and loss of the Cambodian people
27 and their accomplishments and perseverance in reestablishing
28 families, communities, and enhancing the cultural and historical
29 diversity of our state and nation should be recognized and honored;
30 and

31 WHEREAS, The Cambodian Genocide Memorial Week will
32 honor the survivors and their descendants for their courage and
33 contributions to our state and country. This week will serve as a
34 way to remember those who lost their lives in Cambodia and in
35 genocides around the world; now, therefore, be it

36 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
37 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature hereby recognizes the
38 week of April 11 to April 17, 2016, inclusive, as Cambodian
39 Genocide Memorial Week, and calls upon all Californians to

1 observe the week by participating in appropriate activities and
2 programs; and be it further
3 *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of
4 this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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7 **CORRECTIONS:** _____

8 **Text—Page 3.**

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Date of Hearing: April 25, 2016

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Gordon, Chair
SCR 107 (Lara) – As Amended April 6, 2016

SENATE VOTE: 37-0

SUBJECT: Cambodian Genocide Memorial Week

SUMMARY: Recognizes the week of April 11, 2016 to April 17, 2016, inclusive, as Cambodian Genocide Memorial Week, and calls upon all Californians to observe the week by participating in appropriate activities and programs. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) The Cambodian people have a long and rich cultural heritage symbolized by the temple city Angkor Wat, considered one of the Wonders of the Ancient World, built between the 9th and 12th centuries, and which stands as a living icon of the endurance and genius of all Cambodians throughout the world.
- 2) Between April 17, 1975, and January 7, 1979, the Khmer Rouge of Democratic Kampuchea, led by Pol Pot, General Secretary of the Communist Party of Kampuchea, and other members of the Standing Committee of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Kampuchea and their agents, committed acts of genocide and other crimes against humanity. April 17, 2016, will mark both the 41st anniversary of the Khmer Rouge seizing control of Cambodia and the beginning of the Cambodian Genocide.
- 3) The genocide and other crimes against humanity committed against the people of Cambodia, including various religious groups and ethnic minorities, during the Khmer Rouge regime led to the deaths of over 1,700,000 Cambodians, which was 21% of the nation's population.
- 4) After the overthrow of the Khmer Rouge regime in 1979, over 140,000 Cambodians came to the United States as refugees, a group of special humanitarian and foreign policy concern to the United States because of the well-founded fear of persecution for reasons of race, religion, nationality, membership in a particular social group, or political opinion and thus in need of protection in accordance with the United Nations' 1951 Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees.
- 5) The Cambodian people have drawn from their cultural history to rebuild their lives and communities through participation in American politics on the local and national levels, by establishing local and international businesses, by developing new art forms and community organizations, and by raising a new generation of Americans who promise to contribute to the future of the State of California and the nation.
- 6) The Cambodian Genocide Memorial Week will honor the survivors and their descendants for their courage and contributions to our state and country, and will serve as a way to remember those who lost their lives in Cambodia and in genocides around the world.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

Analysis Prepared by: Nicole Willis / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

Senate Concurrent Resolution

No. 121

Introduced by Senator Wieckowski

March 28, 2016

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 121—Relative to West Nile Virus and Mosquito and Vector Control Awareness Week.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 121, as amended, Wieckowski. West Nile Virus and Mosquito and Vector Control Awareness Week.

This measure would declare the week of April 17, 2016, to April 23, 2016, inclusive, as West Nile Virus and Mosquito and Vector Control Awareness Week in California.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, West Nile virus is a mosquito-borne disease that
2 can result in debilitating cases of meningitis and encephalitis and
3 death to humans, horses, avian species, and other wildlife; and
4 WHEREAS, In 2015, West Nile virus resulted in ~~45~~ 53 human
5 deaths in California, *more than* triple the number from 2013, and
6 ~~737~~ 783 individual cases in ~~31~~ 41 counties; and
7 WHEREAS, Adequately funded mosquito and vector control,
8 disease surveillance, and public awareness programs, coupled with
9 best management practices on public and private lands, are the
10 best ways to prevent outbreaks of West Nile virus and other
11 diseases borne by mosquitoes and other vectors; and
12 WHEREAS, Mosquitoes and other vectors, including, but not
13 limited to, ticks, Africanized honeybees, rats, fleas, and flies,

1 continue to be a source of human suffering, illness, and death, and
2 a public nuisance in California and around the world; and

3 WHEREAS, Excess numbers of mosquitoes and other vectors
4 spread diseases, reduce enjoyment of both public and private
5 outdoor living spaces, reduce property values, hinder outdoor work,
6 reduce livestock productivity, and have a negative impact on the
7 environment; and

8 WHEREAS, As a result of the threat mosquitos posed to
9 California's economic development and the health of its citizens,
10 the Legislature enacted the Mosquito Abatement Districts Act,
11 just over a century ago, in 1915; and

12 WHEREAS, Professional mosquito and vector control based
13 on scientific research has made great advances in safely reducing
14 mosquito and vector populations and the diseases they transmit;
15 and

16 WHEREAS, Established mosquito- and vector-borne diseases,
17 such as plague, Lyme disease, flea-borne typhus, and encephalitis,
18 new and emerging vector-borne diseases, such as hantavirus and
19 babesiosis, and travel-associated mosquito-borne disease threats,
20 such as dengue, chikungunya, and Zika, can cause illness and
21 sometimes death in California; and

22 WHEREAS, Two invasive mosquito species in California, *Aedes*
23 *albopictus*, the Asian tiger mosquito, which was detected in
24 southern California in 2011, and *Aedes aegypti*, the yellow fever
25 mosquito, which was detected in central and northern California
26 in 2013, and in southern California in 2014, are posing new public
27 health threats due to their capability to transmit potentially deadly
28 or debilitating diseases, such as dengue, yellow fever, and
29 chikungunya, diseases that are not currently transmitted in
30 California, as well as other encephalitis-causing viruses; and

31 WHEREAS, These invasive species of mosquitos are responsible
32 for transmitting the Zika virus, an infectious disease that has seen
33 growth in Latin America over the past several months. Public
34 health officials have recommended that pregnant women, in any
35 trimester, avoid traveling to areas where Zika virus transmission
36 is ongoing; and

37 WHEREAS, Mosquito and vector control districts throughout
38 the State of California work closely with the United States
39 Environmental Protection Agency and the State Department of
40 Public Health to reduce pesticide risks to humans, animals, and

1 the environment while protecting human health from mosquito-
2 and vector-borne diseases and nuisance attacks; and

3 WHEREAS, Best management practices, emphasizing
4 nonchemical approaches, have been developed to guide mosquito
5 control that can significantly reduce mosquito populations for new
6 development and on state and private lands; and

7 WHEREAS, The State Department of Public Health maintains
8 information on how to eliminate risks from vectors at both
9 www.cdph.ca.gov and www.westnile.ca.gov, which the public is
10 encouraged to review; and

11 WHEREAS, The public's awareness of the health benefits
12 associated with safe, professionally applied mosquito and vector
13 control methods will support these efforts, as well as motivate the
14 state and the public to eliminate mosquito and vector breeding
15 sites on public and private property; and

16 WHEREAS, Educational programs have been developed to
17 include schools, civic groups, private industry, and government
18 agencies, in order to meet the public's need for information about
19 West Nile virus, other diseases, and mosquito and vector biology
20 and control; and

21 WHEREAS, Public awareness can result in reduced production
22 of mosquitoes and other vectors on residential, commercial, and
23 public lands by responsible parties, avoidance of the bites of
24 mosquitoes and other vectors when the risk of West Nile virus and
25 other disease transmission is high, detection of human cases of
26 mosquito- and vector-borne diseases that may otherwise be
27 misdiagnosed for lack of appropriate laboratory testing, and the
28 formation of mosquito or vector control agencies where needed;
29 and

30 WHEREAS, Public awareness can result in action to provide
31 adequate funding for existing mosquito and vector control agencies
32 or to create control agencies in areas where there are no existing
33 controls; and

34 WHEREAS, West Nile Virus and Mosquito and Vector Control
35 Awareness Week will increase the public's awareness of the threat
36 of West Nile virus and other diseases and the activities of the
37 various mosquito and vector research and control agencies working
38 to minimize the health threat within California, and will highlight
39 the educational programs currently available; and

1 WHEREAS, The Mosquito and Vector Control Association of
2 California has designated the week of April 17, 2016, to April 23,
3 2016, inclusive, as West Nile Virus and Mosquito and Vector
4 Control Awareness Week in California; now, therefore, be it

5 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
6 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature hereby declares the week
7 of April 17, 2016, to April 23, 2016, inclusive, as West Nile Virus
8 and Mosquito and Vector Control Awareness Week in California;
9 and be it further

10 *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit a copy of
11 this resolution to the Governor, the State Public Health Officer,
12 and the author for appropriate distribution.

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Date of Hearing: April 25, 2016

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Gordon, Chair
SCR 121 (Wieckowski) – As Amended April 21, 2016

SENATE VOTE: 36-0

SUBJECT: West Nile Virus and Mosquito and Vector Control Awareness Week

SUMMARY: Declares the week of April 17, 2016, to April 23, 2016, inclusive as West Nile Virus and Mosquito and Vector Control Awareness Week in California. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

1. West Nile virus is a mosquito-borne disease that can result in debilitating cases of meningitis and encephalitis and death to humans, horses, avian species, and other wildlife.
2. In 2015, West Nile virus resulted in 53 human deaths in California and over 783 individuals in 41 counties tested positive for the virus.
3. Adequately funded mosquito and vector control, disease surveillance, and public awareness programs, coupled with best management practices on public and private lands, are the best ways to prevent outbreaks of West Nile virus and other diseases borne by mosquitoes and other vectors.
4. Excess numbers of mosquitoes and other vectors spread diseases, reduce enjoyment of both public and private outdoor living spaces, reduce property values, hinder outdoor work, reduce livestock productivity, and have a negative impact on the environment.
5. The public's awareness of the health benefits associated with safe, professionally applied mosquito and vector control methods will support these efforts, as well as motivate the state and the public to eliminate mosquito and vector breeding sites on public and private property.
6. West Nile Virus and Mosquito and Vector Control Awareness Week will increase the public's awareness of the threat of West Nile virus and other diseases and the activities of the various mosquito and vector research and control agencies working to minimize the health threat within California, and will highlight the educational programs currently available.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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Introduced by Senator Beall

(Coauthors: Senators Allen, Anderson, Bates, Block, Fuller, Glazer, Hall, Hernandez, Hill, Jackson, Lara, Leyva, Liu, McGuire, Mendoza, Monning, Nguyen, Pan, Pavley, and Wolk)

March 28, 2016

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 122—Relative to Autism Awareness Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SCR 122, as introduced, Beall. Autism Awareness Month.

This measure would designate the month of April 2016 as Autism Awareness Month and would encourage residents to show support for autism awareness by lighting their homes, businesses, schools, and places of worship with blue light bulbs.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, Autism is a pervasive developmental disorder
- 2 affecting the social, communication, and behavioral skills of those
- 3 affected by it; and
- 4 WHEREAS, More children are being diagnosed on the autism
- 5 spectrum than ever before with diagnoses as high as one in 68
- 6 children nationally, and one in 42 boys; and
- 7 WHEREAS, There is no cure for autism, but it is
- 8 well-documented that if individuals with autism receive treatment
- 9 early in their lives, it is often possible for those individuals to lead
- 10 significantly improved lives; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Individuals with autism often require a lifetime of
- 12 specialized and community support services to ensure their health

1 and safety, and to support families' resilience as they manage the
2 psychological and financial burdens autism presents; and

3 WHEREAS, Autism Speaks and autism services providers
4 throughout the state are organizing the Light It Up Blue campaign
5 and Autism Awareness Day in order to educate parents,
6 professionals, and the general public about autism and its impact;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, In support of the Light It Up Blue campaign, nearly
9 3,000 iconic structures and landmarks, including the Empire State
10 Building in New York City and the Sydney Opera House in
11 Australia, in more than 600 United States cities and 70 countries
12 will shine a light on autism as a growing public health crisis by
13 being illuminated with blue light; now, therefore, be it

14 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
15 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature designates the month of
16 April 2016 as Autism Awareness Month and encourages residents
17 to show support for autism awareness by lighting their homes,
18 businesses, schools, and places of worship with blue light bulbs
19 during the month of April; and be it further

20 *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of
21 this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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Date of Hearing: April 25, 2016

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES

Gordon, Chair

SCR 122 (Beall) – As Introduced March 28, 2016

SENATE VOTE: 38-0

SUBJECT: Autism Awareness Month

SUMMARY: Designates the month of April 2016 as Autism Awareness Month and encourages residents to show support for autism awareness by lighting their homes, businesses, schools, and places of worship with blue light bulbs. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Autism is a pervasive developmental disorder affecting the social, communication, and behavioral skills of those affected by it.
- 2) More children are being diagnosed on the autism spectrum than ever before with diagnoses as high as one in 68 children nationally, and one in 42 boys.
- 3) There is no cure for autism, but early treatment makes it often possible for those individuals to lead significantly improved lives.
- 4) Individuals with autism often require a lifetime of specialized and community support services to ensure their health and safety, and to support families' resilience in managing the psychological and financial burdens autism presents.
- 5) Autism Speaks and autism services providers throughout the state are organizing the Light It Up Blue campaign and Autism Awareness Day in order to educate parents, professionals, and the general public about autism and its impact, and to shine a light on autism as a growing public health crisis.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

Autism Speaks
Center for Autism and Related Disorders (CARD)

Opposition

None on file

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March 20, 2016

The Honorable Richard Gordon
Chair, Assembly Rules Committee
State Capitol, Room 3016
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SCR 122 (Beall) – Support

Dear Assemblymember Gordon:

Autism Speaks is proud to support SCR 122 (Beall) proclaiming the month of April Autism Awareness Month in California.

On April 2, 2016, people across the country and around the globe celebrated World Autism Day. It is a day of promise and a time for us to lend our hearts and minds to all who live with autism. As part of this global effort, Autism Speaks is proud to sponsor the sixth annual Light It Up Blue campaign. Autism Speaks was founded in February 2005 by Bob and Suzanne Wright, grandparents of a child with autism. Since then, Autism Speaks has grown into the nation's largest autism science and advocacy organization.

Light It Up Blue is a global imitative aiming to increase autism awareness by literally, lighting the world up blue. We want to thank Senator Beall and the California Legislature for you for the continued support and commitment to increasing awareness of autism spectrum disorders and advocating for the needs of individuals with autism and their families.

Sincerely,

Lorri Shealy Unumb
Vice President, State Government Affairs

Cc: The Honorable Jim Beall
Members of the Assembly Rules Committee

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March 20, 2016

The Honorable Richard Gordon
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State Capitol, Room 3016
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RE: SCR 122 (Beall) – Support

Dear Assemblymember Gordon:

The Center for Autism and Related Disorders (CARD) is proud to support SCR 122 (Beall), proclaiming the month of April Autism Awareness Month in California. CARD is one of the world's largest and most effective autism treatment providers offering evidence-based, state-of-the-art services to individuals of all ages.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) estimates that 1 in 68 children in the United States will be identified with autism spectrum disorder (ASD). This new estimate is roughly 30 percent higher than previous estimates reported in 2012 of 1 in 88 children. On April 2, 2016, CARD will join organizations around the world to raise awareness for autism. While there is currently no cure for autism, early detection and intervention can result in critical improvements for many young children.

We want to thank Senator Beall and the California Legislature for you for the continued support and commitment to increasing awareness of autism spectrum disorders and advocating for the needs of individuals with autism and their families.

Sincerely,

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