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Thursday, August 21, 2025
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Memo

To: Rules Committee Members
From: Michael Erke, Bill Referral Consultant
Date: 8/20/2025
Re: Consent Bill Referrals

Attached is a list of referral recommendations.

REFERRAL OF BILLS TO COMMITTEE

08/21/2025

Pursuant to the Assembly Rules, the following bills were referred to committee:

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Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 108

Introduced by Assembly Member Hoover
(Coauthors: Assembly Members Krell and Nguyen)
(Coauthors: Senators Ashby and Niello)

July 15, 2025

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 108—Relative to the 175th anniversary of the County of Sacramento.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 108, as introduced, Hoover. County of Sacramento: 175th anniversary.

This measure would honor the County of Sacramento’s 175th anniversary, commend the county for its rich history, remarkable growth, and ongoing commitment to serving its people, and look forward to its continued success and prosperity.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, The County of Sacramento was one of the original
2 27 counties of the State of California, incorporated on February
3 18, 1850, and celebrated its 175th anniversary, or
4 demisemiseptcentennial, this year; and
5 WHEREAS, The County of Sacramento’s population in
6 February 1850 was a modest 9,087, and today the population has
7 grown to 1,611,231, reflecting the County of Sacramento’s growth
8 and evolution into one of California’s most vibrant and diverse
9 regions; and
10 WHEREAS, The County of Sacramento has been at the heart
11 of California’s history, serving as a center for commerce and

1 agriculture during the Gold Rush era, and playing a pivotal role
2 in the development of the state and the nation; and

3 WHEREAS, Sacramento was the starting point for the Central
4 Pacific Railroad, which, after its completion in May 1869, formed
5 the first transcontinental railroad and opened a major transportation
6 route connecting the east and west coasts of the United States; and

7 WHEREAS, The County of Sacramento also served as a hub
8 for communication with the arrival of the Pony Express and the
9 introduction of the telegraph, and later played a crucial role in the
10 development of the automobile industry and the construction of
11 roads and bridges; and

12 WHEREAS, Sacramento's contributions to aviation began with
13 the establishment of an airfield and pilot training school after World
14 War I, which led to the creation of a thriving aviation industry in
15 the region and the development of the Sacramento County Airport
16 System; and

17 WHEREAS, The County of Sacramento is home to seven cities,
18 including the Cities of Citrus Heights, Elk Grove, Folsom, Galt,
19 Isleton, Rancho Cordova, and Sacramento, each contributing to
20 the dynamic and diverse character of the region; and

21 WHEREAS, The County of Sacramento has been dedicated to
22 providing essential services to its residents since its incorporation
23 in 1850, including health and welfare, criminal justice, municipal
24 services, law enforcement, regional parks, transportation, waste
25 management and recycling, voter registration, and water resources;
26 and

27 WHEREAS, The County of Sacramento continues to be a
28 responsive, committed part of its residents' lives, delivering
29 services that are critical to the region's growth, well-being, and
30 success; and

31 WHEREAS, The County of Sacramento's core purpose,
32 "Enriching Communities to Thrive," drives every aspect of its
33 work, underscoring its commitment to fostering the growth and
34 prosperity of its residents and communities; now, therefore, be it

35 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
36 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature honors the County of
37 Sacramento on the occasion of its 175th anniversary and commends
38 the County of Sacramento for its rich history, remarkable growth,
39 and ongoing commitment to serving the people of the County of
40 Sacramento; and be it further

1 *Resolved*, That the Legislature looks forward to the continued
2 success and prosperity of the County of Sacramento as it continues
3 to enrich the lives of its residents and plays an integral role in
4 shaping California’s future for the next 175 years and beyond; and
5 be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: August 21, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
ACR 108 (Hoover) – As Introduced July 15, 2025

SUBJECT: County of Sacramento: 175th anniversary.

SUMMARY: Honors the County of Sacramento on the occasion of its 175th anniversary; and, commends the County of Sacramento for its rich history, remarkable growth, and ongoing commitment to serving the people of the County of Sacramento. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) The County of Sacramento was one of the original 27 counties of the State of California, incorporated on February 18, 1850, and celebrated its 175th anniversary, or demisemiseptcentennial, this year.
- 2) The County of Sacramento has been at the heart of California's history, serving as a center for commerce and agriculture during the Gold Rush era, and playing a pivotal role in the development of the state and the nation.
- 3) Sacramento was the starting point for the Central Pacific Railroad, which, after its completion in May 1869, formed the first transcontinental railroad and opened a major transportation route connecting the east and west coasts of the United States.
- 4) The County of Sacramento also served as a hub for communication with the arrival of the Pony Express and the introduction of the telegraph, and later played a crucial role in the development of the automobile industry and the construction of roads and bridges.
- 5) The County of Sacramento is home to seven cities, including the Cities of Citrus Heights, Elk Grove, Folsom, Galt, Isleton, Rancho Cordova, and Sacramento, each contributing to the dynamic and diverse character of the region.
- 6) The County of Sacramento has been dedicated to providing essential services to its residents since its incorporation in 1850, including health and welfare, criminal justice, municipal services, law enforcement, regional parks, transportation, waste management and recycling, voter registration, and water resources.

FISCAL EFFECT: This resolution is keyed non-fiscal by Legislative Counsel.

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

Analysis Prepared by: Michael Erke / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 110

Introduced by Assembly Member Tangipa

August 18, 2025

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 110—Relative to Tongan Culture and Language Week.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 110, as introduced, Tangipa. Tongan Culture and Language Week.

This measure would designate the week of August 18, 2025, to August 24, 2025, inclusive, as Tongan Culture and Language Week.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, The people of Tonga, known as the Friendly
2 Islands, have maintained a proud and resilient cultural heritage
3 that dates back over 3,000 years to the Lapita navigators,
4 Austronesian seafarers whose sophisticated maritime skills and
5 craftsmanship laid the foundation for Polynesian civilization; and
6 WHEREAS, Tonga is the only Pacific Island nation never
7 formally colonized, preserving an unbroken line of monarchy and
8 a deeply rooted system of cultural values, traditional arts, and oral
9 history, all of which continue to shape the identity of Tongans
10 worldwide; and
11 WHEREAS, The Tongan language (Lea Faka-Tonga), a member
12 of the Polynesian branch of the Austronesian language family,
13 remains a living testimony to the enduring legacy of the Tongan
14 people, with formal, honorific, and regal registers reflecting the
15 nation’s structured and respectful social hierarchy; and

1 WHEREAS, Tongan culture is expressed through unique forms
2 of dance, music, clothing, and art, including the lakalaka,
3 tau olunga, ngatu (tapa cloth), and ta ovala, and through values
4 such as faka'apa'apa (respect), lototo'o (humility), and tauhi vā
5 (nurturing relationships); and

6 WHEREAS, California is home to one of the largest Tongan
7 populations in the United States, particularly in communities such
8 as the Cities of East Palo Alto, Fresno, Oakland, Inglewood, and
9 Sacramento, where Tongan Americans continue to contribute to
10 the cultural, economic, educational, and civic life of the state; and

11 WHEREAS, Tongan Culture and Language Week provides an
12 opportunity to celebrate the rich traditions and linguistic heritage
13 of Tonga, honor the contributions of Tongan Americans, and
14 promote cultural understanding and pride among younger
15 generations; now, therefore, be it

16 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
17 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature hereby designates the
18 week of August 18, 2025, to August 24, 2025, inclusive, as Tongan
19 Culture and Language Week, and encourages all Californians to
20 learn about, uplift, and celebrate the history, language, and vibrant
21 traditions of the Tongan people; and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: August 21, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
ACR 110 (Tangipa) – As Introduced August 18, 2025

SUBJECT: Tongan Culture and Language Week.

SUMMARY: Designates the week of August 18, 2025, to August 24, 2025, inclusive, as Tongan Culture and Language Week; and, encourages all Californians to learn about, uplift, and celebrate the history, language, and vibrant traditions of the Tongan people. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) The people of Tonga have maintained a proud and resilient cultural heritage that dates back over 3,000 years to the Lapita navigators, Austronesian seafarers whose sophisticated maritime skills and craftsmanship laid the foundation for Polynesian civilization.
- 2) Tonga is the only Pacific Island nation never formally colonized, preserving an unbroken line of monarchy and a deeply rooted system of cultural values, traditional arts, and oral history, all of which continue to shape the identity of Tongans worldwide.
- 3) The Tongan language (Lea Faka-Tonga) remains a living testimony to the enduring legacy of the Tongan people, with formal, honorific, and regal registers reflecting the nation's structured and respectful social hierarchy.
- 4) Tongan culture is expressed through unique forms of dance, music, clothing, and art, including the lakalaka, tau'olunga, ngatu (tapa cloth), and ta'ovala, and through values such as faka'apa'apa (respect), lototo'o (humility), and tauhi vā (nurturing relationships).
- 5) California is home to one of the largest Tongan populations in the United States, particularly in communities such as the Cities of East Palo Alto, Fresno, Oakland, Inglewood, and Sacramento, where Tongan Americans continue to contribute to the cultural, economic, educational, and civic life of the state.
- 6) Tongan Culture and Language Week provides an opportunity to celebrate the rich traditions and linguistic heritage of Tonga, honor the contributions of Tongan Americans, and promote cultural understanding and pride among younger generations.

FISCAL EFFECT: This resolution is keyed non-fiscal by Legislative Counsel.

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

Analysis Prepared by: Michael Erke / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 111

Introduced by Assembly Member Sharp-Collins

August 18, 2025

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 111—Relative to Military Sexual Trauma Awareness Day.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 111, as introduced, Sharp-Collins. Military Sexual Trauma Awareness Day.

This measure would proclaim September 25, 2025, as Military Sexual Trauma Awareness Day.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, Military sexual trauma (MST) encompasses sexual
2 assault or repeated, threatening sexual harassment that occurs
3 during military service; and
4 WHEREAS, MST affects both women and men in the Armed
5 Forces, with research indicating that approximately 1 in 3 women
6 and 1 in 50 men experience MST during service as a member,
7 whether active duty, Reserve, or National Guard; and
8 WHEREAS, MST is an experience rather than a diagnosis or
9 mental health condition, and can result in significant and
10 long-lasting impacts on survivors, including heightened risks of
11 post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), depression, anxiety,
12 substance abuse, and physical health issues, with an increased risk
13 of suicide; and
14 WHEREAS, MST survivors who identify as members of
15 marginalized and minority groups may face additional stressors

1 and barriers to engaging in MST-related care, which may
2 compound the trauma and hinder their access to necessary support;
3 and

4 WHEREAS, MST survivors often encounter feelings of being
5 unsupported, disrespected, or retraumatized when seeking care,
6 which can exacerbate their psychological distress and elevate the
7 risk of suicide, highlighting the urgent need for reforms to ensure
8 they receive compassionate and respectful treatment; and

9 WHEREAS, MST not only affects the individual but also
10 impacts their families, friends, and overall military readiness, as
11 the trauma can strain relationships and affect the survivor's ability
12 to perform effectively within the military setting; and

13 WHEREAS, There is a critical need to address the stigma
14 associated with MST and to provide comprehensive support that
15 considers the needs of survivors, their families, and the broader
16 military community; and

17 WHEREAS, There is an urgent need for the Armed Forces to
18 intensify efforts to prevent MST by implementing comprehensive
19 training programs, promoting a culture of zero tolerance, and
20 strengthening reporting and support mechanisms to protect all
21 members and ensure a safer military environment; now, therefore,
22 be it

23 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
24 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature proclaims September 25,
25 2025, as Military Sexual Trauma Awareness Day; and be it further

26 *Resolved*, The Legislature affirms its commitment to supporting
27 military sexual trauma survivors and acknowledges the importance
28 of providing them with the highest quality care and support; and
29 be it further

30 *Resolved*, The Legislature acknowledges the profound impact
31 of military sexual trauma, commits to breaking the stigma
32 surrounding it, and reaffirms its decision to improving support
33 systems for military sexual trauma survivors and their families;
34 and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: August 21, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
ACR 111 (Sharp-Collins) – As Introduced August 18, 2025

SUBJECT: Military Sexual Trauma Awareness Day.

SUMMARY: Proclaims September 25, 2025, as Military Sexual Trauma Awareness Day; and, acknowledges the profound impact of military sexual trauma, commits to breaking the stigma surrounding it, and reaffirms its decision to improving support systems for military sexual trauma survivors and their families. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Military sexual trauma (MST) encompasses sexual assault or repeated, threatening sexual harassment that occurs during military service. MST affects both women and men in the Armed Forces, with research indicating that approximately 1 in 3 women and 1 in 50 men experience MST during service, whether active duty, Reserve, or National Guard.
- 2) MST is an experience rather than a diagnosis or mental health condition, and can result in significant and long-lasting impacts on survivors, including heightened risks of post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), depression, anxiety, substance abuse, and physical health issues, with an increased risk of suicide.
- 3) MST survivors who identify as members of marginalized and minority groups may face additional stressors and barriers to engaging in MST-related care, which may compound the trauma and hinder their access to necessary support.
- 4) MST survivors often encounter feelings of being unsupported, disrespected, or retraumatized when seeking care, which can exacerbate their psychological distress, and elevate the risk of suicide, highlighting the urgent need for reforms to ensure they receive compassionate and respectful treatment.
- 5) There is a critical need to address the stigma associated with MST and to provide comprehensive support that considers the needs of survivors, their families, and the broader military community.

FISCAL EFFECT: This resolution is keyed non-fiscal by Legislative Counsel.

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

Analysis Prepared by: Michael Erke / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 112

Introduced by Assembly Member Gallagher
(Principal coauthor: Assembly Member Quirk-Silva)
(Coauthors: Assembly Members Alanis, Castillo, Flora,
Jeff Gonzalez, Macedo, and Pacheco)
(Coauthors: Senators Choi, Jones, Niello, Ochoa Bogh, Seyarto,
Strickland, and Wahab)

August 19, 2025

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 112—Relative to Deaf Awareness Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 112, as introduced, Gallagher. Deaf Awareness Month.

This measure would recognize the month of September 2025 as Deaf Awareness Month in California.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, The purpose of Deaf Awareness Month, celebrated
2 in September, is to bring visibility and awareness to Deaf issues,
3 people, and culture, emphasizing the positive aspects of deafness,
4 encouraging social inclusion, and raising awareness of the
5 organizations locally, nationally, and globally that support those
6 who are deaf; and
7 WHEREAS, Deaf Awareness Month traces its roots to the
8 International Week of the Deaf, established in 1958 by the World
9 Federation of the Deaf, and evolving into a month-long celebration
10 and recognition of the Deaf community in 1997; and

1 WHEREAS, Deaf Awareness Month seeks to increase public
2 understanding of Deaf issues, individuals, and culture by
3 highlighting barriers faced by deaf individuals and by promoting
4 inclusivity, accessibility, and communication; and

5 WHEREAS, According to the World Health Organization, over
6 466,000,000 individuals worldwide are deaf or hard of hearing;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, Three million Californians identify as deaf or hard
9 of hearing, and the Deaf community intersects with all ages,
10 ethnicities, backgrounds, and geographies; and

11 WHEREAS, Deaf and hard-of-hearing individuals have made,
12 and continue to make, numerous contributions to the cultural and
13 economic vitality of California and the United States; and

14 WHEREAS, The celebration of Deaf Awareness Month provides
15 a platform for the Deaf community to express their culture,
16 language, and experiences, while offering an opportunity to
17 participate in, learn about, and appreciate Deaf culture; now,
18 therefore, be it

19 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
20 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature recognizes the month of
21 September 2025 as Deaf Awareness Month in California; and be
22 it further

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

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Date of Hearing: August 21, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
ACR 112 (Gallagher) – As Introduced August 19, 2025

SUBJECT: Deaf Awareness Month.

SUMMARY: Recognizes the month of September 2025 as Deaf Awareness Month in California. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) The purpose of Deaf Awareness Month, celebrated in September, is to bring visibility and awareness to Deaf issues, people, and culture, emphasizing the positive aspects of deafness, encouraging social inclusion, and raising awareness of the organizations locally, nationally, and globally that support those who are deaf.
- 2) Deaf Awareness Month traces its roots to the International Week of the Deaf, established in 1958 by the World Federation of the Deaf, and evolving into a month-long celebration and recognition of the Deaf community in 1997.
- 3) Deaf Awareness Month seeks to increase public understanding of Deaf issues, individuals, and culture by highlighting barriers faced by deaf individuals and by promoting inclusivity, accessibility, and communication.
- 4) Three million Californians identify as deaf or hard of hearing, and the Deaf community intersects with all ages, ethnicities, backgrounds, and geographies. Deaf and hard-of-hearing individuals have made, and continue to make, numerous contributions to the cultural and economic vitality of California and the United States.
- 5) The celebration of Deaf Awareness Month provides a platform for the Deaf community to express their culture, language, and experiences, while offering an opportunity to participate in, learn about, and appreciate Deaf culture.

FISCAL EFFECT: This resolution is keyed non-fiscal by Legislative Counsel.

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

Analysis Prepared by: Michael Erke / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 113

Introduced by Assembly Member Bauer-Kahan

August 20, 2025

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 113—Relative to Intellectual Property Awareness Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 113, as introduced, Bauer-Kahan. Intellectual Property Awareness Month.

This measure would recognize October 2025 as Intellectual Property Awareness Month in California.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, Intellectual property (IP) encompasses a wide range
2 of creative and innovative endeavors, including patents, trademarks,
3 copyrights, and trade secrets, which collectively drive progress in
4 technology, arts, sciences, and commerce; and

5 WHEREAS, Furthering awareness and understanding of the
6 role and impact of IP is beneficial to Californians in a place where
7 inclusion and diversity from all walks of life are celebrated; and

8 WHEREAS, The State of California recognizes the crucial role
9 that IP plays in fostering innovation and creativity, as well as in
10 advancing California to become the fourth largest economy in the
11 world; and

12 WHEREAS, California’s creative industries thrive on the
13 exchange of ideas, collaboration, and the constant push for new
14 artistic and technological frontiers, all of which are facilitated and
15 nurtured by a robust IP framework; and

1 WHEREAS, The protection and enforcement of IP rights provide
2 the incentive for individuals, companies, and organizations to
3 invest in research and development, leading to the creation of new
4 products, services, and technologies that improve our lives and
5 advance industries; and

6 WHEREAS, California and its diverse citizenry, educational
7 institutions, and businesses lead globally in creating IP and embody
8 the curious and entrepreneurial “Eureka” spirit that drives the
9 economy; and

10 WHEREAS, California stands as a beacon of innovation, hosting
11 a diverse ecosystem of entrepreneurs, startups, researchers, and
12 creators who contribute to the state’s vibrant economy by
13 leveraging IP to generate jobs, foster economic growth, and attract
14 investment; and

15 WHEREAS, California’s leadership in the field of patents and
16 IP work is exemplified by the state’s remarkable number of patents
17 filed, the quality of research institutions, and the thriving
18 technology and entertainment industries that rely heavily on strong
19 IP protection; and

20 WHEREAS, Promoting IP awareness encourages a culture of
21 respect for originality and fosters collaboration among individuals
22 and entities in various sectors to drive the development of
23 groundbreaking solutions and artistic expressions; and

24 WHEREAS, Education and outreach activities during Intellectual
25 Property Awareness Month will empower citizens, students, and
26 businesses to better understand the value of IP rights, as well as
27 how to protect their creations, promote inclusion and diversity,
28 and how to navigate the intricate landscape of IP law in California;
29 now, therefore, be it

30 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
31 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature hereby recognizes the
32 month of October 2025 as Intellectual Property Awareness Month
33 in California; and be it further

34 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
35 of this resolution to the author for distribution.

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Date of Hearing: August 21, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
ACR 113 (Bauer-Kahan) – As Introduced August 20, 2025

SUBJECT: Intellectual Property Awareness Month.

SUMMARY: Recognizes the month of October 2025 as Intellectual Property Awareness Month in California. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Intellectual property (IP) encompasses a wide range of creative and innovative endeavors, including patents, trademarks, copyrights, and trade secrets, which collectively drive progress in technology, arts, sciences, and commerce.
- 2) Furthering awareness and understanding of the role and impact of IP is beneficial to Californians in a place where inclusion and diversity from all walks of life are celebrated.
- 3) The State of California recognizes the crucial role that IP plays in fostering innovation and creativity, as well as in advancing California to become the fourth largest economy in the world.
- 4) California’s creative industries thrive on the exchange of ideas, collaboration, and the constant push for new artistic and technological frontiers, all of which are facilitated and nurtured by a robust IP framework.
- 5) The protection and enforcement of IP rights provide the incentive for individuals, companies, and organizations to invest in research and development, leading to the creation of new products, services, and technologies that improve our lives and advance industries.
- 6) California stands as a beacon of innovation, hosting a diverse ecosystem of entrepreneurs, startups, researchers, and creators who contribute to the state’s vibrant economy by leveraging IP to generate jobs, foster economic growth, and attract investment.
- 7) Promoting IP awareness encourages a culture of respect for originality and fosters collaboration among individuals and entities in various sectors to drive the development of groundbreaking solutions and artistic expressions.

FISCAL EFFECT: This resolution is keyed non-fiscal by Legislative Counsel.

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

Analysis Prepared by: Michael Erke / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 114

Introduced by Assembly Member Pacheco
(Principal coauthor: Senator Rubio)

August 20, 2025

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 114—Relative to Women’s Small Business Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 114, as introduced, Pacheco. Women’s Small Business Month. This measure would declare October 2025 as Women’s Small Business Month and encourage all citizens to recognize the economic importance of women’s small business in California.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, According to the United States Small Business
- 2 Administration, as of 2022, an estimated 13,000,000 women-owned
- 3 businesses in the United States employ more than 10,000,000
- 4 people and generate \$1.9 trillion in revenue; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Women-owned businesses represent 42 percent of
- 6 all businesses and women of color account for 50 percent of all
- 7 female business owners; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Among women, women of color are the fastest
- 9 growing demographic of new business owners; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Women of color make up 40 percent of all women
- 11 in the United States, with 18.5 percent being Latina, 13.9 percent
- 12 being African American, 6.3 percent being Asian American, 1.3
- 13 percent being Native American or Alaska Native, and 0.3 percent
- 14 being Pacific Islander; and

1 WHEREAS, Twenty-one percent of women-owned businesses
2 are owned by African Americans, 18 percent by Latinas, 9 percent
3 by Asian Americans, 1.4 percent by Native Americans or Alaska
4 Natives, and 0.3 percent by Pacific Islanders, which has the same
5 business-owned representation as the population; and

6 WHEREAS, In 2023, a White House Press Release announced
7 that in 2022, annual earnings for women-owned businesses
8 increased by almost 30 percent, with women-owned businesses in
9 the manufacturing sector experiencing a 35-percent increase; and

10 WHEREAS, Women continue to trailblaze across industries
11 every day, starting nearly one-half of all new businesses in the
12 United States in 2021; and

13 WHEREAS, Women small business owners create valuable
14 opportunities for women workers because they are more likely to
15 hire a more diverse workforce. In 2020, it was found by Small
16 Business Majority that one in four women business owners employ
17 nearly all women, with 75 percent to 100 percent, inclusive, of
18 their workforce being women workers; and

19 WHEREAS, Although more women are embracing
20 entrepreneurship, they often face challenges not typically shared
21 by their male counterparts, including defying social expectations,
22 limited access to social and business networks, overcoming barriers
23 to access capital and new market expansion, owning a sense of
24 accomplishment, building a support network and obtaining
25 mentorship, and balancing business and family life; and

26 WHEREAS, Forbes Magazine reported that while 79 percent
27 of women entrepreneurs in the United States feel more empowered
28 now than they did five years ago, 66 percent still report difficulty
29 in obtaining the funding they need to succeed; and

30 WHEREAS, Despite demanding and long hours, women become
31 business owners to implement a new business idea or vision, enjoy
32 the freedom of being an entrepreneur, or to solve a specific industry
33 problem; and

34 WHEREAS, Women-owned businesses are key to our overall
35 economic success, and their importance is rapidly growing; and

36 WHEREAS, Women in the United States were not allowed to
37 get a business loan without the signature of a male relative to
38 cosign for them until 1988; and

39 WHEREAS, October is recognized as Women's Small Business
40 Month because the law that allowed women to take out a loan in

1 their own name, the Women’s Business Ownership Act of 1988
2 (Public Law 100-533), was signed on October 25, 1988; now,
3 therefore, be it

4 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
5 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature designates October 2025
6 as Women’s Small Business Month and encourages all citizens to
7 recognize the economic importance of women’s small businesses
8 in California; and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: August 21, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
ACR 114 (Pacheco) – As Introduced August 20, 2025

SUBJECT: Women’s Small Business Month.

SUMMARY: Designates October 2025 as Women’s Small Business Month; and, encourages all citizens to recognize the economic importance of women’s small businesses in California. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) According to the United States Small Business Administration, as of 2022, an estimated 13 million women-owned businesses in the United States employ more than 10 million people and generate \$1.9 trillion in revenue.
- 2) Women-owned businesses represent 42 percent of all businesses and women of color account for 50 percent of all female business owners. Among women, women of color are the fastest growing demographic of new business owners.
- 3) Twenty-one percent of women-owned businesses are owned by African Americans, 18 percent by Latinas, 9 percent by Asian Americans, 1.4 percent by Native Americans or Alaska Natives, and 0.3 percent by Pacific Islanders, which has the same business-owned representation as the population.
- 4) Women small business owners create valuable opportunities for women workers because they are more likely to hire a more diverse workforce. In 2020, it was found by Small Business Majority that one in four women business owners employ nearly all women.
- 5) Although more women are embracing entrepreneurship, they often face challenges not typically shared by their male counterparts, including defying social expectations, limited access to social and business networks, overcoming barriers to access capital and new market expansion, and balancing business and family life.
- 6) October is recognized as Women’s Small Business Month because the law that allowed women to take out a loan in their own name, the Women’s Business Ownership Act of 1988 (Public Law 100-533), was signed on October 25, 1988.

FISCAL EFFECT: This resolution is keyed non-fiscal by Legislative Counsel.

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

Analysis Prepared by: Michael Erke / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

House Resolution

No. 51

Introduced by Assembly Member Schultz

July 17, 2025

House Resolution No. 51—Relative to Pain Awareness Month and Women in Pain Awareness Day.

1 WHEREAS, More than 100,000,000 Americans live with
2 chronic pain caused by various diseases or disorders, and nearly
3 25,000,000 Americans suffer from acute pain each year; and
4 WHEREAS, Though medical knowledge and technology exist
5 to relieve or greatly ease pain, most pain is untreated, undertreated,
6 or improperly treated, and many health care professionals are still
7 unaware of how to effectively treat pain; and
8 WHEREAS, People who suffer from chronic pain are often
9 stigmatized, marginalized, and uninformed about the right to
10 effective pain assessment and management, and most people with
11 pain, including those at the end of life, get little or no relief; and
12 WHEREAS, Women have a higher prevalence than men of
13 syndromes and diseases associated with chronic pain, such as
14 fibromyalgia, complex regional pain syndrome, and migraine, and
15 women respond differently to certain analgesics; and
16 WHEREAS, Women’s pain reports are taken less seriously than
17 those of men, and women receive less aggressive treatment than
18 men for their pain; and
19 WHEREAS, Women have developed a number of coping
20 mechanisms to deal with pain, and this may contribute to a general
21 perception that they can endure more pain and that their pain does
22 not need to be taken as seriously; and

1 WHEREAS, Women more frequently report pain to a health
2 care provider, but are more likely to have their pain reports
3 discounted as emotional or psychogenic and, therefore, not real;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, The California-based Partners for Understanding
6 Pain is a coalition of pain sufferers, physicians, nurses, social
7 workers, pharmacists, therapists, civic leaders, nonprofit
8 organizations, and health care businesses whose mission is to
9 improve the quality of life for people experiencing pain; and

10 WHEREAS, It is the collective mission of this movement to
11 provide practical information for people with pain, inform health
12 care professionals about pain management, and serve as an
13 advocate for people experiencing pain; now, therefore, be it

14 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the
15 Assembly hereby recognizes and declares the month of September
16 2025 as Pain Awareness Month, and calls upon all Californians
17 to observe the month by participating in appropriate ceremonies
18 and activities and by learning how to improve the quality of life
19 for people in California suffering from pain; and be it further

20 *Resolved*, That the Assembly recognizes September 1, 2025, as
21 Women in Pain Awareness Day to draw public attention to the
22 important need to raise awareness concerning gender disparities
23 in pain assessment and treatment in the United States; and be it
24 further

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

O

Date of Hearing: August 21, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
HR 51 (Schultz) – As Introduced July 17, 2025

SUBJECT: Pain Awareness Month and Women in Pain Awareness Day.

SUMMARY: Declares the month of September 2025 as Pain Awareness Month; and, recognizes September 1, 2025, as Women in Pain Awareness Day to draw public attention to the important need to raise awareness concerning gender disparities in pain assessment and treatment in the United States. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) More than 100 million Americans live with chronic pain caused by various diseases or disorders, and nearly 25 million Americans suffer from acute pain each year.
- 2) Though medical knowledge and technology exist to relieve or greatly ease pain, most pain is untreated, undertreated, or improperly treated, and many health care professionals are still unaware of how to effectively treat pain.
- 3) People who suffer from chronic pain are often stigmatized, marginalized, and uninformed about the right to effective pain assessment and management, and most people with pain, including those at the end of life, get little or no relief.
- 4) Women have a higher prevalence than men of syndromes and diseases associated with chronic pain, such as fibromyalgia, complex regional pain syndrome, and migraine, and women respond differently to certain analgesics.
- 5) Women have developed a number of coping mechanisms to deal with pain, and this may contribute to a general perception that they can endure more pain and that their pain does not need to be taken as seriously.
- 6) Women more frequently report pain to a health care provider, but are more likely to have their pain reports discounted as emotional or psychogenic and, therefore, not real.

FISCAL EFFECT: This resolution is keyed non-fiscal by Legislative Counsel.

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

Analysis Prepared by: Michael Erke / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

House Resolution

No. 52

Introduced by Assembly Member Harabedian

July 18, 2025

House Resolution No. 52—Relative to Kimchi Day.

1 WHEREAS, Kimchi is a traditional dish in Korean cuisine with
2 a long, rich history that began over two millennia ago during the
3 period of the Three Kingdoms of Korea; and

4 WHEREAS, Korean Americans represent a vibrant, growing
5 community in the United States whose predecessors first arrived
6 in the United States over a century ago and whose members have
7 gone on to become an indispensable part of the fabric of the United
8 States and made numerous contributions to science, law, business,
9 art, and many other fields; and

10 WHEREAS, In 2013, the United Nations Educational, Scientific
11 and Cultural Organization officially recognized the Korean
12 traditional process of preparing kimchi, “kimjang,” on its
13 Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of
14 Humanity; and

15 WHEREAS, Kimchi has been widely acknowledged as a
16 probiotic food item with well-established positive health benefits
17 that serves as an excellent source of beta-carotene, calcium,
18 potassium, dietary fiber, and vitamins A, B, C, and K, which can
19 lower rates of heart disease, cancer, stroke, and diabetes; and

20 WHEREAS, The growing interest in and popularity of kimchi
21 as a dish in the United States, as evidenced by an increase in
22 available kimchi-related food products, restaurant menu items,
23 and interest from non-Korean consumers, represents a positive
24 example of multicultural exchange; and

1 WHEREAS, Kimchi is celebrated in Korea, the land of its origin,
2 each year through the designation of November 22 as “Kimchi
3 Day”; now, therefore, be it

4 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, That*
5 November 22, 2025, shall be celebrated as Kimchi Day; and be it
6 further

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

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Date of Hearing: August 21, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
HR 52 (Harabedian) – As Introduced July 18, 2025

SUBJECT: Kimchi Day.

SUMMARY: Celebrates November 22, 2025, as Kimchi Day. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Kimchi is a traditional dish in Korean cuisine with a long, rich history that began over two millennia ago during the period of the Three Kingdoms of Korea.
- 2) Korean Americans represent a vibrant, growing community in the United States whose predecessors first arrived in the United States over a century ago, and whose members have gone on to become an indispensable part of the fabric of the United States and made numerous contributions to science, law, business, art, and many other fields.
- 3) In 2013, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization officially recognized the Korean traditional process of preparing kimchi, “kimjang,” on its Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity.
- 4) Kimchi has been widely acknowledged as a probiotic food item with well-established positive health benefits that serves as an excellent source of beta-carotene, calcium, potassium, dietary fiber, and vitamins A, B, C, and K, which can lower rates of heart disease, cancer, stroke, and diabetes.
- 5) The growing interest in and popularity of kimchi as a dish in the United States, as evidenced by an increase in available kimchi-related food products, restaurant menu items, and interest from non-Korean consumers, represents a positive example of multicultural exchange.
- 6) Kimchi is celebrated in Korea, the land of its origin, each year through the designation of November 22 as “Kimchi Day.”

FISCAL EFFECT: This resolution is keyed non-fiscal by Legislative Counsel.

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

Analysis Prepared by: Michael Erke / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

House Resolution

No. 53

Introduced by Assembly Member Patel

August 18, 2025

House Resolution No. 53—Relative to Back to School Month.

1 WHEREAS, Each year, as summer fades and autumn
2 approaches, students across the State of California return to school,
3 bringing with them hopes, questions, and the limitless potential
4 that defines our future; and

5 WHEREAS, The beginning of the 2025–26 school year marks
6 not only a change in the season, but a recommitment to California’s
7 core promise—that every child, regardless of race, income,
8 immigration status, or background, has the right to a high-quality
9 public education; and

10 WHEREAS, California’s public education system serves over
11 6,000,000 students across more than 10,000 schools, and in the
12 County of San Diego alone, over 500,000 students begin the school
13 year in transitional kindergarten through community college,
14 including in school districts like the San Diego Unified School
15 District, Sweetwater Union High School District, and Chula Vista
16 Elementary School District; and

17 WHEREAS, Teachers, school staff, counselors, and
18 administrators play an essential role in shaping the lives of students,
19 often going above and beyond to ensure academic success,
20 emotional well-being, and equitable support for every learner; and

21 WHEREAS, The COVID-19 pandemic, ongoing mental health
22 challenges, and economic disparities have underscored the need
23 for robust support systems and targeted investment in school
24 infrastructure, curriculum, and student wellness; and

1 WHEREAS, The start of a new school year provides an
2 opportunity for families, communities, and lawmakers to come
3 together in support of students and teachers alike, recognizing that
4 the strength of our public schools reflects the strength of our
5 democracy; now, therefore, be it

6 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the
7 Assembly hereby recognizes, for the 2025–26 school year, the
8 month of August 2025 as Back to School Month, and commends
9 the dedication of California’s teachers, families, and students; and
10 be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: August 21, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
HR 53 (Patel) – As Introduced August 18, 2025

SUBJECT: Back to School Month.

SUMMARY: Recognizes the month of August 2025 as Back to School Month; and, commends the dedication of California’s teachers, families, and students. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Each year, as summer fades and autumn approaches, students across the State of California return to school, bringing with them hopes, questions, and the limitless potential that defines our future.
- 2) The beginning of the 2025–26 school year marks not only a change in the season, but a recommitment to California’s core promise—that every child, regardless of race, income, immigration status, or background, has the right to a high-quality public education.
- 3) California’s public education system serves over six million students across more than 10,000 schools. In the County of San Diego alone, over 500,000 students begin the school year in transitional kindergarten through community college, including in school districts like the San Diego Unified School District, Sweetwater Union High School District, and Chula Vista Elementary School District.
- 4) Teachers, school staff, counselors, and administrators play an essential role in shaping the lives of students, often going above and beyond to ensure academic success, emotional well-being, and equitable support for every learner.
- 5) The COVID-19 pandemic, ongoing mental health challenges, and economic disparities have underscored the need for robust support systems and targeted investment in school infrastructure, curriculum, and student wellness.
- 6) The start of a new school year provides an opportunity for families, communities, and lawmakers to come together in support of students and teachers alike, recognizing that the strength of our public schools reflects the strength of our democracy.

FISCAL EFFECT: This resolution is keyed non-fiscal by Legislative Counsel.

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

Analysis Prepared by: Michael Erke / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

House Resolution

No. 54

Introduced by Assembly Member Fong

August 18, 2025

House Resolution No. 54—Relative to Cantonese Culture Day.

1 WHEREAS, Cantonese is a language closely associated with a
2 distinct culture originating from the City of Guangzhou in the
3 southern province of Guangdong, China, and Cantonese is currently
4 shared by 100,000,000 people globally; and

5 WHEREAS, Cantonese is by far the largest non-Mandarin
6 spoken variant of Chinese, and Taishanese, linguistically related
7 to Cantonese, served as the bridge language in many overseas
8 Chinese immigrant communities, including many of California’s
9 Chinatowns; and

10 WHEREAS, Cantonese people were among the earliest Chinese
11 immigrants to the United States, arriving as early as 1821, and
12 played a pivotal role in California’s Gold Rush Era, the
13 construction of the United State’s first transcontinental railroad,
14 and the establishment of California’s agricultural industry; and

15 WHEREAS, For much of United States history, Guangdong has
16 been the place of origin for most people emigrating from China,
17 particularly those from the County of Taishan; and

18 WHEREAS, A number of prominent United States citizens are
19 of Cantonese descent, including Wong Kim Ark, whose landmark
20 Supreme Court case affirmed the right of birthright citizenship for
21 millions of Americans, Hiram Fong, the first Chinese American
22 United States Senator, Judy Chu, the first Chinese American
23 woman elected to Congress, and more; and

1 WHEREAS, The 15th day of the eighth month of the lunar
2 calendar is the Mid-Autumn Festival, a traditional harvest festival
3 that is one of the most important celebrations in Chinese culture,
4 bringing family together to give thanks and well wishes; and

5 WHEREAS, California has the largest number of Cantonese
6 speakers in the United States by far, and Cantonese people continue
7 to contribute to the culture, economy, and vibrancy of California;
8 now, therefore, be it

9 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the
10 Assembly recognizes and celebrates August 15, 2025, as Cantonese
11 Culture Day, recognizing the diversity and contributions of our
12 Cantonese communities; and be it further

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

O

Date of Hearing: August 21, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
HR 54 (Fong) – As Introduced August 18, 2025

SUBJECT: Cantonese Culture Day.

SUMMARY: Celebrates August 15, 2025, as Cantonese Culture Day, recognizing the diversity and contributions of our Cantonese communities. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Cantonese is a language closely associated with a distinct culture originating from the City of Guangzhou in the southern province of Guangdong, China.
- 2) Cantonese is by far the largest non-Mandarin spoken variant of Chinese. And, Taishanese, linguistically related to Cantonese, served as the bridge language in many overseas Chinese immigrant communities, including many of California's Chinatowns.
- 3) Cantonese people were among the earliest Chinese immigrants to the United States, arriving as early as 1821, and played a pivotal role in California's Gold Rush Era, the construction of the United States' first transcontinental railroad, and the establishment of California's agricultural industry.
- 4) A number of prominent United States citizens are of Cantonese descent, including Wong Kim Ark, whose landmark Supreme Court case affirmed the right of birthright citizenship for millions of Americans, Hiram Fong, the first Chinese American United States Senator, Judy Chu, the first Chinese American woman elected to Congress, and more.
- 5) California has the largest number of Cantonese speakers in the United States by far, and Cantonese people continue to contribute to the culture, economy, and vibrancy of California.
- 6) The 15th day of the eighth month of the lunar calendar is the Mid-Autumn Festival, a traditional harvest festival that is one of the most important celebrations in Chinese culture, bringing family together to give thanks and well wishes.

FISCAL EFFECT: This resolution is keyed non-fiscal by Legislative Counsel.

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

Analysis Prepared by: Michael Erke / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

House Resolution

No. 55

Introduced by Assembly Member Lackey

August 18, 2025

House Resolution No. 55—Relative to California Disc Golf Day and Month.

1 WHEREAS, In the 1920s, the earliest known games of disc golf
2 were played by children at Bladworth Elementary School in
3 Saskatchewan, Canada; and

4 WHEREAS, In 1965, George Sappenfield was attending
5 California State University, Fresno, and working as a recreation
6 counselor with a new idea of playing golf with Frisbees; and

7 WHEREAS, On August 2, 1974, the American Flying Disc
8 Open was launched and a group of avid golfers turned the City of
9 Rochester Disc Golf Championship into a national tournament.
10 They offered a prize for the winner to gain the attention of the
11 Frisbee community; and

12 WHEREAS, In 1975, the first official disc golf course was
13 installed by American toy inventor Ed Headrick at Oak Grove
14 Park in the City of Pasadena, California, where the targets are
15 simply permanent poles; and

16 WHEREAS, In 1976, the success of disc golf at the World
17 Frisbee Championships suggested that this sport was the next big
18 thing, and Ed Headrick created the Disc Golf Association (DGA),
19 which even today functions as a leader in the sport; and

20 WHEREAS, This sport is so popular and rapidly growing that
21 there are 11,300 courses globally, with 75 percent of all disc golf
22 courses being in the United States, and over 400 courses in
23 California; and

1 WHEREAS, The sport of disc golf is great for people of all
2 socioeconomic classes, age groups, and demographics, provides
3 a way to exercise and spend time outdoors, and provides a wide
4 range of mental health benefits; and

5 WHEREAS, Disc golf is a way to set attainable goals and work
6 to achieve them, and to be part of a community of all ages and all
7 abilities; now, therefore, be it

8 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the
9 Assembly hereby recognizes August 2, 2025, as California Disc
10 Golf Day and the month of August 2025 as California Disc Golf
11 Month, in recognition of the teamwork, physical, mental, and
12 emotional well-being the sport provides; and be it further

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

O

Date of Hearing: August 21, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
HR 55 (Lackey) – As Introduced August 18, 2025

SUBJECT: California Disc Golf Day and Month.

SUMMARY: Recognizes August 2, 2025, as California Disc Golf Day and the month of August 2025 as California Disc Golf Month, in recognition of the teamwork, physical, mental, and emotional well-being the sport provides. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) In the 1920s, the earliest known games of disc golf were played by children at Bladworth Elementary School in Saskatchewan, Canada. In 1965, George Sappenfield was attending California State University, Fresno, and working as a recreation counselor with a new idea of playing golf with Frisbees.
- 2) On August 2, 1974, the American Flying Disc Open was launched and a group of avid golfers turned the City of Rochester Disc Golf Championship into a national tournament. They offered a prize for the winner to gain the attention of the Frisbee community.
- 3) In 1975, the first official disc golf course was installed by American toy inventor Ed Headrick at Oak Grove Park in the City of Pasadena, California, where the targets are simply permanent poles.
- 4) In 1976, the success of disc golf at the World Frisbee Championships suggested that this sport was the next big thing, and Ed Headrick created the Disc Golf Association (DGA), which even today functions as a leader in the sport.
- 5) The sport of disc golf is great for people of all socioeconomic classes, age groups, and demographics, provides a way to exercise and spend time outdoors, and provides a wide range of mental health benefits.
- 6) This sport is so popular and rapidly growing that there are 11,300 courses globally, with 75 percent of all disc golf courses being in the United States, and over 400 courses in California.

FISCAL EFFECT: This resolution is keyed non-fiscal by Legislative Counsel.

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

Analysis Prepared by: Michael Erke / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

House Resolution

No. 56

Introduced by Assembly Member Valencia

August 18, 2025

House Resolution No. 56—Relative to Chicano Heritage Month.

1 WHEREAS, Chicano Heritage Month is celebrated in August
2 to recognize the significant contributions of Mexican Americans
3 to the history of the United States; and

4 WHEREAS, In 2021, the City of Santa Ana, California, became
5 the first major city in the United States to declare August as
6 “Chicano Heritage Month”; and

7 WHEREAS, “Chicano” or “Chicana” are sometimes used
8 interchangeably with “Mexican American,” although the terms
9 have different meanings for different people. Nonetheless,
10 “Chicano” and “Chicana” were reclaimed by ethnic Mexicans in
11 the 1960s and 1970s to express political empowerment, ethnic
12 solidarity, and pride in being of Indigenous descent; and

13 WHEREAS, The Chicano Movement was a social and political
14 movement in the United States inspired by prior acts of resistance
15 among people of Mexican descent that worked to embrace a
16 Chicano/Chicana identity and world view that combated structural
17 racism, encouraged cultural revitalization, and achieved community
18 empowerment by rejecting assimilation. Examples of this
19 movement are shown through the advocacy work of individuals
20 such as Vickie Castro, Ruben Salazar, Corky Gonzales, Sylvia
21 Mendez, Dolores Huerta, and countless others; and

22 WHEREAS, The Chicano Movement was influenced by the
23 Black Power movement, and both movements held similar

1 objectives of community empowerment and liberation while also
2 calling for Black-Brown unity; and

3 WHEREAS, According to the 2019 American Community
4 Survey, people from Mexico comprised 11.3 percent of the
5 foreign-born population in the United States. Chicanos/Chicanas
6 have been a long-standing part of the culture of the United States,
7 with an undeniable influence in education, public safety,
8 infrastructure, economic development, culinary arts, and
9 governance; and

10 WHEREAS, The Chicano population grew from 3 million in
11 1940 to over 20 million in 2000. When all Latinos are counted,
12 that number jumps to over 30 million in California; and

13 WHEREAS, This year, Latinos are projected to make up 42
14 percent of California's population and Chicanos and Chicanas
15 form a significant part of that group; and

16 WHEREAS, Chicano and Chicana students remain
17 underrepresented in the University of California and California
18 State University systems. In 2015, only 13 out of every 100
19 Mexican American women and 11 out of every 100 men earned
20 a bachelor's degree; and

21 WHEREAS, According to State Department of Education
22 statistics, over three million Chicano/Latino students are enrolled
23 in California's public K–12 schools. To put that into perspective,
24 that is over 55 percent of total enrollment as of the 2024–25 school
25 year; and

26 WHEREAS, Latino lawmakers hold 44 seats in the California
27 State Legislature: 30 in the Assembly and 14 in the Senate; and

28 WHEREAS, Chicanos/Chicanas represent a significant and
29 rapidly growing demographic and we honor their invaluable
30 accomplishments and contributions; now, therefore, be it

31 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the
32 Assembly recognizes August 2025 as Chicano Heritage Month
33 and encourages Californians to join us in acknowledging and
34 celebrating diversity in California; and be it further

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

O

Date of Hearing: August 21, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
HR 56 (Valencia) – As Introduced August 18, 2025

SUBJECT: Chicano Heritage Month.

SUMMARY: Recognizes August 2025 as Chicano Heritage Month; and, encourages Californians to join in acknowledging and celebrating diversity in California. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Chicano Heritage Month is celebrated in August to recognize the significant contributions of Mexican Americans to the history of the United States.
- 2) In 2021, the City of Santa Ana, California, became the first major city in the United States to declare August as “Chicano Heritage Month.” “Chicano” or “Chicana” are sometimes used interchangeably with “Mexican American,” although the terms have different meanings for different people. Nonetheless, “Chicano” and “Chicana” were reclaimed by ethnic Mexicans in the 1960s and 1970s to express political empowerment, ethnic solidarity, and pride in being of Indigenous descent.
- 3) The Chicano Movement was a social and political movement in the United States inspired by prior acts of resistance among people of Mexican descent that worked to embrace a Chicano/Chicana identity and world view that combated structural racism, encouraged cultural revitalization, and achieved community empowerment by rejecting assimilation.
- 4) The Chicano Movement was influenced by the Black Power movement, and both movements held similar objectives of community empowerment and liberation while also calling for Black-Brown unity.
- 5) According to the 2019 American Community Survey, people from Mexico comprised 11.3 percent of the foreign-born population in the United States. Chicanos/Chicanas have been a long-standing part of the culture of the United States, with an undeniable influence in education, public safety, infrastructure, economic development, culinary arts, and governance.
- 6) This year, Latinos are projected to make up 42 percent of California’s population and Chicanos and Chicanas form a significant part of that group.
- 7) Latino lawmakers hold 44 seats in the California State Legislature: 30 in the Assembly and 14 in the Senate. Chicanos/Chicanas represent a significant and rapidly growing demographic, and we honor their invaluable accomplishments and contributions.

FISCAL EFFECT: This resolution is keyed non-fiscal by Legislative Counsel.

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

Analysis Prepared by: Michael Erke / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

House Resolution

No. 57

Introduced by Assembly Member Haney

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August 18, 2025

House Resolution No. 57—Relative to Transgender History Month.

1 WHEREAS, The suppression of gender variance among
2 indigenous California cultures by Spanish and later Anglo settlers
3 was a foundational event of the history of the state, as documented
4 in the journal of soldier Pedro Fages, who wrote in 1775 about
5 native peoples he encountered near the present-day City of San
6 Diego, whom he described as “those Indian men who, both here
7 and farther inland, observed in the dress, clothing, and character
8 of women... They are called joyas, and they are held in great
9 esteem.”; and

10 WHEREAS, The social fluidity of Gold Rush-era California
11 attracted countless people who lived transgender lives in the
12 mid-19th century, including legendary stagecoach driver Charley
13 Parkhurst, whose life story was celebrated in the popular television
14 show Death Valley Days, hosted by Ronald Reagan; and

15 WHEREAS, San Francisco’s Tenderloin neighborhood has been
16 known as a residential district for two-spirit, transgender,
17 gender-expansive, and intersex (2STGI) people since the second
18 half of the 19th century, when it was home to people such as “Jenny
19 O.,” a trans woman who corresponded with the famous German
20 sexologist Magnus Hirschfeld about her life in the Tenderloin; and

1 WHEREAS, Some of the earliest support organizations for
2 cross-dressers were founded in Los Angeles by Virginia Prince in
3 the early 1960s; and

4 WHEREAS, The 1959 Cooper Do-nuts Riot in Los Angeles
5 and the 1966 Compton's Cafeteria Riot in San Francisco were
6 important acts of collective resistance to police violence targeting
7 trans people, years before the better-known Stonewall Riot in New
8 York; and

9 WHEREAS, The Black transfem performer Sir Lady Java filed
10 the first antitrans employment discrimination lawsuit in the country
11 in 1967 in Los Angeles, when she fought the cancellation of her
12 show at the Redd Foxx Club on La Cienega Boulevard, leading
13 ultimately to the overturning of antidrag ordinances in 1969 and
14 which laid the groundwork for successful challenges of
15 employment discrimination pertaining to gay and lesbian and
16 transgender people; and

17 WHEREAS, In the 1960s and 70s, Ojai resident Reed Erickson,
18 a multimillionaire trans man, funded the establishment of
19 university-based sex reassignment clinics at Johns Hopkins
20 University, UCLA, and elsewhere, providing a foundation to
21 support the work of San Francisco-based doctor Harry Benjamin
22 and his landmark 1966 book *The Transsexual Phenomenon*. The
23 Erickson Educational Foundation funded the nation's first trans
24 peer support group, the National Transsexual Counseling Unit, in
25 1968; and

26 WHEREAS, The 1973 West Coast Lesbian Conference at UCLA
27 became the first national flashpoint for trans issues in the women's
28 movement when attendees voted on whether to accept the
29 participation of trans lesbian singer Beth Elliott; and

30 WHEREAS, San Francisco resident Lou Sullivan, a trans man,
31 founded FTM, the first national and international support
32 organization for transmasculine people, in 1986; and

33 WHEREAS, Legendary media scholar and Jimi Hendrix's
34 recording engineer, Sandy Stone, launched the academic field of
35 transgender studies with her "The Empire Strikes Back: A
36 Posttranssexual Manifesto" while earning her Ph.D. in History of
37 Consciousness Studies at the University of California, Santa Cruz
38 in 1987; and

39 WHEREAS, In 2016, San Francisco Mayor Ed Lee appointed
40 Theresa Sparks as the Mayor's Senior Advisor on Transgender

1 Initiatives, making San Francisco the first city in the nation to have
2 a position dedicated to advancing the rights of and creating policies
3 for the transgender community; and

4 WHEREAS, In 2017, the City and County of San Francisco
5 established the Office of Transgender Initiatives (OTI). OTI is the
6 first and only transgender-led city government office in the country
7 and the world working with communities to advance policies,
8 programs, and equity for transgender, gender-nonconforming, and
9 LGBTQ San Franciscans; and

10 WHEREAS, In 2017, San Francisco's Tenderloin neighborhood
11 became home to the world's first legally recognized transgender
12 cultural district, which serves to create an urban environment that
13 empowers 2STGI individuals residing in the neighborhood through
14 cultural, economic, and historical preservation initiatives; and

15 WHEREAS, 2STGI Californians continue to win election to
16 public office, star as leads in television shows and films, lead
17 organizations, create educational initiatives, and serve in the United
18 States Armed Forces; and

19 WHEREAS, Despite the national recognition of LGBTQ+
20 history month, there is no proper representation and emphasis on
21 the imperative leadership of 2STGI individuals in the fight for
22 LGBTQ+ rights throughout history, and the 2STGI community
23 substantially trails behind the level of inclusion and acceptance
24 afforded to the broader LGBTQ+ community; and

25 WHEREAS, Despite awareness of influence on other movements
26 categorized by resistance and liberation, prominent portions of
27 2STGI history remain undiscovered, unrecognized, and outside
28 mainstream consciousness; and

29 WHEREAS, 2STGI people across the nation and the globe are
30 being dehumanized and politicized in recent culture wars and their
31 contributions to the history of the United States and its territories
32 are being erased, with their existence being portrayed as a recent
33 cultural development despite having existed throughout all known
34 human history; and

35 WHEREAS, We are now at a new pinnacle of 2STGI visibility,
36 with violence towards 2STGI people continuing with high
37 prevalence and frequency without being met with adequate
38 responses of justice and accountability; and

39 WHEREAS, California has long been the epicenter of the trans
40 liberation movement, possessing suitable historical qualities

1 sufficient for the recognition of Transgender History Month as an
2 opportunity to provide education, insight, and awareness of the
3 monumental contributions to Golden State history by 2STGI
4 Californians; and

5 WHEREAS, Discrimination, exclusion, and ignorance towards
6 the 2STGI community continue to perpetuate violence and
7 disparity; and

8 WHEREAS, While California is a leader in defending the rights
9 and safety of LGBTQ+ people, our state is not immune to the
10 national wave of LGBTQ+ hate, violence, and political attacks,
11 which disproportionately impacts 2STGI people particularly.
12 California's commitment to the LGBTQ+ community, especially
13 the community's 2STGI population, is needed even more in the
14 face of rising extremism and hostility in California and across the
15 nation and the globe; and

16 WHEREAS, Nationally, there were over 500 anti-LGBTQ+
17 bills introduced in state legislatures across the country during both
18 the 2023 and 2024 legislative years; and

19 WHEREAS, The aforementioned anti-LGBTQ+ bills
20 disproportionately target 2STGI people and include efforts to
21 prohibit access to lifesaving gender-affirming medical care, prevent
22 2STGI youth from playing school sports alongside their friends,
23 erase 2STGI identities from vital records and state driver's licenses,
24 ban books that include 2STGI people and history, prohibit 2STGI
25 people from using restrooms and facilities in accordance with their
26 gender identity, and criminalize 2STGI people who bravely
27 embrace their authentic selves amid rising hostility; and

28 WHEREAS, According to the Williams Institute at the
29 University of California, Los Angeles, School of Law, the legal
30 landscape for trans youth shifted significantly in 2023, and 105,200
31 trans youth, about one-third of trans youth in the United States,
32 live in states that ban access to gender-affirming care, 101,500
33 trans youth, about one-third of trans youth in the United States,
34 live in states that restrict access to school sports for trans students,
35 and 32,700 trans youth live in states that ban trans students from
36 using school bathrooms and other facilities that align with their
37 gender identity; and

38 WHEREAS, California has become a safe haven for many
39 LGBTQ+ people across the United States, its territories, and
40 beyond, including for its access to health care and robust civil

1 rights laws allowing LGBTQ+ people to live their authentic lives;
2 and

3 WHEREAS, Antitrans legislation, executive actions, local
4 ordinances, school policies, practices, misinformation, and rhetoric
5 endanger the psychological and physical well-being of 2STGI
6 youth, with 86 percent of 2STGI youth reporting these actions
7 negatively impacting their mental health, as well as 45 percent
8 reporting they experienced online harassment, 24 percent reporting
9 they were bullied in school, 27 percent reporting they have been
10 physically threatened or harmed due to their gender identity, and
11 64 percent reporting that they have felt discriminated against due
12 to their gender identity; and

13 WHEREAS, Discriminatory legislation, executive actions, local
14 ordinances, school policies, practices, misinformation, and rhetoric
15 across the country and here in California have all contributed to
16 rising hate and violence directed against members of the 2STGI
17 community, in particular Black trans women, prompting a number
18 of civil rights organizations to declare an epidemic of violence
19 against 2STGI people; and

20 WHEREAS, The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) annual
21 crime report of 2022 showed that anti-LGBTQ+ hate crimes were
22 up sharply from the prior year, with a 13.8-percent increase in
23 reports based on sexual orientation and a 32.9-percent increase in
24 reports based on gender identity; and

25 WHEREAS, The FBI-reported hate crime rates among LGBTQ+
26 victims, particularly 2STGI victims, are likely incomplete, as cities
27 and states across the nation are reporting incomplete or inaccurate
28 data, or no data at all, on hate crimes committed against the
29 LGBTQ+ community; and

30 WHEREAS, The FBI reported that schools were the third most
31 commonly known location for hate crimes against LGBTQ+ youth
32 and community members, and that hate crimes more than doubled
33 at elementary and secondary schools and universities from 2018
34 to 2022, inclusive; and

35 WHEREAS, The FBI noted that participation in the collection
36 of the aforementioned data regarding hate crime reports in schools
37 is voluntary for most agencies and is only mandatory for federal
38 agencies, and is thus likely incomplete and underreported; and

1 WHEREAS, Demonstrating actions led by principles of respect,
2 value, and honor will aid a community that continues to fight for
3 proper acknowledgment; and

4 WHEREAS, The month of August has particular significance
5 to the trans community as it is the month when the Compton's
6 Cafeteria Riots are commemorated. One of the first LGBTQ+ civil
7 rights uprising in the United States, the Compton's Cafeteria Riots
8 took place in August of 1966 in San Francisco's Tenderloin
9 District, which has now been designated as the world's first
10 transgender cultural district; and

11 WHEREAS, Supporting the 2STGI community by designating
12 August as Transgender History Month will create a culture led by
13 research, education, and scholarly recognition of the contributions
14 of 2STGI Californians to our great state's history, and will educate
15 future generations of Californians on the importance of this history;
16 now, therefore, be it

17 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the
18 Assembly declares the month of August of each year as
19 Transgender History Month; and be it further

20 *Resolved*, That the Legislature joins communities across our
21 nation to increase awareness about the importance of 2STGI
22 leaders, and commits to removing all barriers to 2STGI
23 communities, individuals, and families and upholding human rights
24 for all; and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: August 21, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
HR 57 (Haney) – As Introduced August 18, 2025

SUBJECT: Transgender History Month.

SUMMARY: Declares the month of August of each year as Transgender History Month. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) The suppression of gender variance among indigenous California cultures by Spanish and later Anglo settlers was a foundational event of the history of the state, as documented in the journal of soldier Pedro Fages, who wrote in 1775 about native peoples he encountered near present-day San Diego, whom he described as “those Indian men who, both here and farther inland, observed in the dress, clothing, and character of women.... They are called joyas, and they are held in great esteem.”
- 2) The social fluidity of Gold Rush-era California attracted countless people who lived transgender lives in the mid-19th century, including legendary stagecoach driver Charley Parkhurst, whose life story was celebrated in the popular television show *Death Valley Days*, hosted by Ronald Reagan.
- 3) San Francisco’s Tenderloin neighborhood has been known as a residential district for two-spirit, transgender, gender-expansive, and intersex (2STGI) people since the second half of the 19th century, when it was home to people such as “Jenny O.,” a trans woman who corresponded with the famous German sexologist Magnus Hirschfeld about her life in the Tenderloin.
- 4) The 1959 Cooper Do-nuts Riot in Los Angeles and the 1966 Compton’s Cafeteria Riot in San Francisco were important acts of collective resistance to police violence targeting trans people, years before the better-known Stonewall Riot in New York.
- 5) The 1973 West Coast Lesbian Conference at UCLA became the first national flashpoint for trans issues in the women’s movement when attendees voted on whether to accept the participation of trans lesbian singer Beth Elliott.
- 6) Legendary media scholar and Jimi Hendrix’s recording engineer, Sandy Stone, launched the academic field of transgender studies with her *The Empire Strikes Back: A Posttranssexual Manifesto* while earning her PhD in History of Consciousness Studies at the University of California, Santa Cruz in 1987.
- 7) In 2017, San Francisco’s Tenderloin neighborhood became home to the world’s first legally recognized transgender cultural district, which serves to create an urban environment that empowers 2STGI individuals residing in the neighborhood through cultural, economic, and historical preservation initiatives.
- 8) Despite the national recognition of LGBTQ+ history month, there is no proper representation and emphasis on the imperative leadership of 2STGI individuals in the fight for LGBTQ+

rights throughout history, and the 2STGI community substantially trails behind the level of inclusion and acceptance afforded to the broader LGBT+ community.

- 9) Despite awareness of influence on other movements categorized by resistance and liberation, prominent portions of 2STGI history remain undiscovered, unrecognized, and outside mainstream consciousness.
- 10) California has long been the epicenter of the trans liberation movement, possessing suitable historical qualities sufficient for the recognition of Transgender History Month as an opportunity to provide education, insight, and awareness of the monumental contributions to Golden State history by 2STGI Californians.
- 11) The month of August has particular significance to the trans community as it is the month when the Compton's Cafeteria Riots are commemorated. Supporting the 2STGI community by designating August as Transgender History Month will create a culture led by research, education, and scholarly recognition of the contributions of 2STGI Californians to our great state's history, and will educate future generations of Californians on the importance of this history.

FISCAL EFFECT: This resolution is keyed non-fiscal by Legislative Counsel.

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

Analysis Prepared by: Michael Erke / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

House Resolution

No. 58

Introduced by Assembly Member Celeste Rodriguez

August 18, 2025

House Resolution No. 58—Relative to California Promotoras Month.

1 WHEREAS, For generations, promotoras have been a trusted
2 presence in their communities, responding to the needs of families
3 during times of crisis, economic hardship, and systemic inequity;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Promotoras serve alongside community health
6 workers, peer leaders, and community advocates as cultural brokers
7 and trusted messengers, providing services, information, and
8 support that reflect a deep understanding of the communities they
9 serve; and

10 WHEREAS, These community leaders support access to a broad
11 array of services, including education, housing, transportation,
12 employment, social services, public safety, disaster response, and
13 health, helping individuals and families navigate systems that are
14 often complex, underresourced, and culturally or linguistically
15 inaccessible; and

16 WHEREAS, Promotoras act as puentes de la comunidad,
17 community bridges ensuring that residents in underserved areas
18 are connected to public and private resources, government services,
19 and local organizations that promote dignity, equity, and
20 opportunity; and

21 WHEREAS, With anticipated shifts in state and federal funding
22 that will likely reduce access to essential services in the coming
23 years, promotoras will be increasingly critical in helping Latino

1 and other underserved communities stay informed, connected, and
2 supported; and

3 WHEREAS, Promotoras work in community-based
4 organizations, city and county agencies, schools, faith institutions,
5 health clinics, and directly in neighborhoods, often as volunteers,
6 peer educators, navigators, and outreach workers, and they provide
7 servicio de corazón, or service from the heart; and

8 WHEREAS, Promotoras not only address gaps in formal
9 systems, but also advocate for systemic changes, organize mutual
10 aid, provide emotional support, and strengthen community
11 resilience in the face of economic, political, and environmental
12 challenges; and

13 WHEREAS, Vision y Compromiso has brought together
14 thousands of individuals and hundreds of organizations throughout
15 California to uplift the promotora model, support leadership
16 development, and advance community-driven strategies for
17 well-being and justice; and

18 WHEREAS, Numerous studies have demonstrated that programs
19 integrating promotoras provide a strong return on investment, with
20 documented cost savings due to improved health outcomes, reduced
21 emergency room visits, and increased use of preventive services,
22 making promotoras a fiscally responsible approach to addressing
23 social and structural challenges in underserved communities; and

24 WHEREAS, Despite their vital contributions, promotoras
25 continue to face barriers to recognition, training, and equitable
26 compensation; now, therefore, be it

27 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the
28 Assembly formally endorses the work of promotoras as essential
29 to the well-being and resilience of California communities and
30 recognizes Vision y Compromiso for its leadership in fostering
31 and supporting this vital workforce; and be it further

32 *Resolved*, That the Assembly acknowledges and thanks the
33 regional coordinators, staff, board members, and advisors of
34 organizations that collaborate with promotoras and advance their
35 mission; and be it further

36 *Resolved*, That the Assembly supports policies and programs
37 that strengthen the promotora workforce, integrate their work
38 across sectors, and invest in sustainable career pathways, training,
39 and infrastructure to meet the changing needs of California's
40 diverse communities; and be it further

1 *Resolved*, That the Assembly declares the month of October
2 2025 as California Promotoras Month to recognize and raise
3 awareness of the important and wide-ranging contributions of
4 promotoras across the state; and be it further
5 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
6 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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Date of Hearing: August 21, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
HR 58 (Celeste Rodriguez) – As Introduced August 18, 2025

SUBJECT: California Promotoras Month.

SUMMARY: Declares the month of October 2025 as California Promotoras Month to recognize and raise awareness of the important and wide-ranging contributions of promotoras across the state. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) For generations, promotoras have been a trusted presence in their communities, responding to the needs of families during times of crisis, economic hardship, and systemic inequity.
- 2) Promotoras serve alongside community health workers, peer leaders, and community advocates as cultural brokers and trusted messengers, providing services, information, and support that reflect a deep understanding of the communities they serve.
- 3) These community leaders support access to a broad array of services, including education, housing, transportation, employment, social services, public safety, disaster response, and health, helping individuals and families navigate systems that are often complex, under-resourced, and culturally or linguistically inaccessible.
- 4) Promotoras act as puentes de la comunidad, community bridges ensuring that residents in underserved areas are connected to public and private resources, government services, and local organizations that promote dignity, equity, and opportunity.
- 5) With anticipated shifts in state and federal funding that will likely reduce access to essential services in the coming years, promotoras will be increasingly critical in helping Latino and other underserved communities stay informed, connected, and supported.
- 6) Despite their vital contributions, promotoras continue to face barriers to recognition, training, and equitable compensation.

FISCAL EFFECT: This resolution is keyed non-fiscal by Legislative Counsel.

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

Visión y Compromiso

Opposition

None on file

Analysis Prepared by: Michael Erke / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

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August 18, 2025

The Honorable Blanca Pacheco
Chair, Assembly Rules Committee
1021 O Street, Suite 6250
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: HR 58 (Rodriguez) – Support

Dear Chairwoman Pacheco,

Visión y Compromiso is proud to **sponsor HR 58 (C. Rodriguez)**, which would recognize October as California Promotoras Month. Promotoras are a predominantly women-led Latina workforce, working with low-income and traditionally underserved communities to provide reliable information, connections to resources, public health, social services, education, housing, and many more. These are all components recognized as social determinants of health. For communities that do not trust traditional health and other systems, promotoras are critical links to reliable information and resources to help these communities improve their health and overall wellness outcomes.

In order for California to improve health equity, we must acknowledge and honor the work of Promotoras in the community, who serve as cultural brokers who are deeply trusted. They are both paid and volunteers, and associated with community-based organizations with many different kinds of job titles. These include lideres, community health worker, peer educator, outreach worker, health advocate, and patient navigator, among many more. Promotoras are a proven cost-effective intervention to build trust and improve community well-being.

Visión y Compromiso has worked for decades to bring together individuals and organizations united in fighting for a dignified and healthy life, “Hacia Una Vida Digna y Sana”. This resolution commemorates and celebrates this work. For those reasons, we are proud to sponsor HR 58 and respectfully request your ‘Aye’ recommendation.

Sincerely,

Executive Director
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Hacia una vida digna y sana

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House Resolution

No. 59

Introduced by Assembly Member Dixon

August 18, 2025

House Resolution No. 59—Relative to Service Clubs Month.

1 WHEREAS, Service clubs throughout the State of California
2 are organizations that engage in community service, charitable
3 work, and fundraising, and have been an integral part of
4 communities throughout the state in many cases for over 100 years
5 and have made significant contributions to the development of our
6 communities; and

7 WHEREAS, Service clubs play a vital role in community
8 development by providing resources and services to support local
9 communities and contribute to various community projects,
10 including building playgrounds, supporting educational programs,
11 and providing scholarships; and

12 WHEREAS, Service clubs engage in various charitable works,
13 including donating to food banks, homeless shelters, and disaster
14 relief efforts; and

15 WHEREAS, Service clubs provide leadership development
16 opportunities for their members and provide avenues to learn about
17 leadership skills, team building, and communication, assisting
18 them in their personal and professional lives; and

19 WHEREAS, Service clubs offer networking opportunities for
20 members where they can interact with other professionals and
21 community leaders, build relationships, and expand their social
22 and professional networks; and

23 WHEREAS, Service clubs focus on developing the skills and
24 talents of young people, provide mentoring, leadership training,

1 and scholarship opportunities for students, and organize programs
2 to support underprivileged youth; and

3 WHEREAS, Service clubs encourage civic engagement by
4 promoting volunteering and community service; now, therefore,
5 be it

6 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the
7 Legislature hereby designates September as Service Clubs Month
8 in appreciation for all the significant contributions service clubs
9 make to communities throughout the state; and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: August 21, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
HR 59 (Dixon) – As Introduced August 18, 2025

SUBJECT: Service Clubs Month.

SUMMARY: Designates September as Service Clubs Month in appreciation for all the significant contributions service clubs make to communities throughout the state. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Service clubs throughout the State of California are organizations that engage in community service, charitable work, and fundraising, and have been an integral part of communities throughout the state in many cases for over 100 years and have made significant contributions to the development of our communities.
- 2) Service clubs play a vital role in community development by providing resources and services to support local communities and contribute to various community projects, including building playgrounds, supporting educational programs, and providing scholarships.
- 3) Service clubs engage in various charitable works, including donating to food banks, homeless shelters, and disaster relief efforts. They provide leadership development opportunities for their members and provide avenues to learn about leadership skills, team building, and communication, assisting them in their personal and professional lives.
- 4) Service clubs focus on developing the skills and talents of young people, provide mentoring, leadership training, and scholarship opportunities for students, and organize programs to support underprivileged youth.
- 5) Service clubs encourage civic engagement by promoting volunteering and community service.

FISCAL EFFECT: This resolution is keyed non-fiscal by Legislative Counsel.

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

Analysis Prepared by: Michael Erke / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

House Resolution

No. 60

Introduced by Assembly Member Gabriel

August 18, 2025

House Resolution No. 60—Relative to Childhood Cancer Awareness Month.

1 WHEREAS, Cancer is by far the leading cause of death by
2 disease among children in this country; and
3 WHEREAS, Many children in California are afflicted with
4 cancer, experiencing enormous pain and suffering, and they and
5 their families require extraordinary levels of information and
6 support in their struggles against this disease; and
7 WHEREAS, Successful prevention and treatment of many types
8 of childhood cancer has not yet been achieved; and
9 WHEREAS, The prevention and treatment of cancer requires
10 a high level of commitment in order to provide the necessary
11 resources and research; and
12 WHEREAS, California has many of the world’s finest medical,
13 academic, and commercial institutions, and must continue as a
14 leader in the fight against this terrible disease; and
15 WHEREAS, Increased public awareness of this major public
16 health problem is a crucial step toward finding solutions; and
17 WHEREAS, The American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc.,
18 Kids Cancer Connection, Inc., and Lions Clubs International
19 provide a variety of vital psychosocial services to patients
20 undergoing cancer treatment at children’s hospitals throughout
21 California; and
22 WHEREAS, Childhood Cancer Awareness Month is an
23 important nationwide tool for raising awareness among

1 governmental officials and the public about the nature and scope
2 of this problem; now, therefore, be it
3 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the
4 Assembly hereby recognizes and declares September 2025 as
5 Childhood Cancer Awareness Month in California; and be it further
6 *Resolved*, That the Assembly is committed to supporting efforts
7 to find cures for, and achieve prevention of, childhood cancer; and
8 be it further
9 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
10 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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Date of Hearing: August 21, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
HR 60 (Gabriel) – As Introduced August 18, 2025

SUBJECT: Childhood Cancer Awareness Month.

SUMMARY: Declares September 2025 as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month in California. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Cancer is by far the leading cause of death by disease among children in this country. Many children in California are afflicted with cancer, experiencing enormous pain and suffering, and they and their families require extraordinary levels of information and support in their struggles against this disease.
- 2) Successful prevention and treatment of many types of childhood cancer has not yet been achieved. The prevention and treatment of cancer requires a high level of commitment in order to provide the necessary resources and research.
- 3) California has many of the world's finest medical, academic, and commercial institutions, and must continue as a leader in the fight against this terrible disease.
- 4) Increased public awareness of this major public health problem is a crucial step toward finding solutions.
- 5) Childhood Cancer Awareness Month is an important nationwide tool for raising awareness among governmental officials and the public about the nature and scope of this problem.

FISCAL EFFECT: This resolution is keyed non-fiscal by Legislative Counsel.

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

Analysis Prepared by: Michael Erke / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

House Resolution

No. 61

Introduced by Assembly Member McKinnor

August 18, 2025

House Resolution No. 61—Relative to Sickle Cell Disease Awareness Month.

1 WHEREAS, Sickle cell disease is a severe, life-shortening
2 inherited disease that affects the red blood cells and impacts
3 predominantly people of color. It is especially common in Africans
4 and African-Americans, but the disease can also be found in other
5 demographics, primarily in South and Central America, the
6 Caribbean, Middle Eastern and Mediterranean countries, and India;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, Although the federal Centers for Disease Control
9 and Prevention estimates that sickle cell disease affects more than
10 100,000 people in the United States, the exact number of people
11 with sickle cell disease is unknown. Comprehensive and
12 coordinated data collection efforts are needed to better understand
13 and quantify the scope and impact of sickle cell disease on patients,
14 communities, states, and the nation; and

15 WHEREAS, Approximately 1 in 12 African-Americans are
16 diagnosed with the trait and are carriers for sickle cell disease; and

17 WHEREAS, Sickle cell disease is a disease in which a person's
18 body produces abnormally shaped red blood cells that resemble a
19 crescent or sickle, and that do not last as long as normal round red
20 blood cells, which leads to anemia. The sickle cells also get stuck
21 in blood vessels and block blood flow, resulting in vaso-occlusive
22 crises, which can cause pain and organ damage; and

1 WHEREAS, Individuals living with sickle cell disease
2 experience severe pain, anemia, organ failure, stroke, and infection;
3 in one recent study more than 30 percent of those diagnosed
4 experienced premature death. Another recent study estimates that
5 the life expectancy for individuals with sickle cell disease is 54
6 years; and

7 WHEREAS, The symptoms of sickle cell disease begin to show
8 within the very first year of a person's life if they have the disease
9 and the pain ranges from mild to very severe; and

10 WHEREAS, More than 40 percent of sickle cell disease patients
11 are covered by Medicaid; and

12 WHEREAS, In the more than 100 years since the underlying
13 cause of sickle cell disease was discovered, the sickle cell patient
14 community has received relatively little attention and few
15 resources. For decades, these individuals have suffered due to
16 racial discrimination in the health care system, in addition to the
17 life-threatening disease burden; and

18 WHEREAS, Individuals living with sickle cell disease encounter
19 barriers to obtaining quality care and improving their quality of
20 life, including limitations in geographic access to comprehensive
21 care, the varied use of effective treatments, the discrimination of
22 being labeled "drug seekers" when seeking care during a crisis,
23 the high reliance on emergency care, and the limited number of
24 health care providers with knowledge and experience to manage
25 and treat sickle cell disease; and

26 WHEREAS, Evidence-based clinical guidelines developed by
27 the American Society of Hematology and the American College
28 of Emergency Physicians recommend that individuals with sickle
29 cell disease who present in the emergency room with a sickle cell
30 crises be triaged and administered appropriate pain medications
31 within 60 minutes; and

32 WHEREAS, Individuals living with sickle cell disease and their
33 caregivers often report having to wait in emergency rooms for
34 hours while experiencing severe pain crises, and receiving
35 substandard care prior to discharge; and

36 WHEREAS, Many facilities do not have adequate clinical
37 pathways and treatment protocols based on evidence based clinical
38 guidelines pertaining to management of sickle cell disease patients,
39 particularly those experiencing pain crises; and

1 WHEREAS, There is currently one curative therapy option for
2 a limited number of individuals living with sickle cell disease,
3 which is a bone marrow transplant from a matched donor, but the
4 treatment may result in fertility issues; and

5 WHEREAS, State governments have tools at their disposal to
6 incentivize or require health care providers, facilities, and entities
7 receiving state money or licensed by the state to encourage the
8 advancement or adoption of policies to improve care, outcomes,
9 and cost effectiveness; and

10 WHEREAS, It is imperative that there be greater awareness of
11 this serious health condition, and more must be done to increase
12 activity at the local, state, and national levels; now, therefore, be
13 it

14 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the
15 Assembly recognizes September 2025 as Sickle Cell Disease
16 Awareness Month, and that the residents of the State of California
17 are encouraged to join together in raising awareness and
18 heightening public knowledge of this disease; and be it further

19 *Resolved*, That the Legislature is encouraged to support funds
20 for outreach, education, research, treatment, and monitoring relating
21 to sickle cell disease, which disproportionately impacts
22 African-Americans in California; and be it further

23 *Resolved*, That the State of California should develop and fund
24 sickle cell disease screening programs that provide referrals for
25 followup care, including genetic testing, if appropriate; and be it
26 further

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

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Date of Hearing: August 21, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
HR 61 (McKinnor) – As Introduced August 18, 2025

SUBJECT: Sickle Cell Disease Awareness Month.

SUMMARY: Recognizes September 2025 as Sickle Cell Disease Awareness Month; and, encourages Californians to join together in raising awareness and heightening public knowledge of this disease. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Sickle cell disease is a severe, life-shortening, inherited disease that affects the red blood cells and impacts predominantly people of color. It is especially common in Africans and African-Americans, but the disease can also be found in other demographics, primarily in South and Central America, the Caribbean, Middle Eastern and Mediterranean countries, and India.
- 2) Sickle cell disease is a disease in which a person's body produces abnormally shaped red blood cells that resemble a crescent or sickle, and that do not last as long as normal, round red blood cells, which leads to anemia. The sickle cells also get stuck in blood vessels and block blood flow, resulting in vaso-occlusive crises, which can cause pain and organ damage.
- 3) Although the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates that sickle cell disease affects more than 100,000 people in the United States, the exact number of people with sickle cell disease is unknown. Comprehensive and coordinated data collection efforts are needed to better understand and quantify the scope and impact of sickle cell disease on patients, communities, states, and the nation.
- 4) Individuals living with sickle cell disease experience severe pain, anemia, organ failure, stroke, and infection; in one recent study more than 30 percent of those diagnosed experienced premature death. Another recent study estimates that the life expectancy for individuals with sickle cell disease is 54 years.
- 5) Individuals living with sickle cell disease and their caregivers often report having to wait in emergency rooms for hours while experiencing severe pain crises, and receiving substandard care prior to discharge.
- 6) Many facilities do not have adequate clinical pathways and treatment protocols based on evidence based clinical guidelines pertaining to management of sickle cell disease patients, particularly those experiencing pain crises.
- 7) There is currently one curative therapy option for a limited number of individuals living with sickle cell disease, which is a bone marrow transplant from a matched donor, but the treatment may result in fertility issues.
- 8) It is imperative that there be greater awareness of this serious health condition, and more must be done to increase activity at the local, state, and national levels.

FISCAL EFFECT: This resolution is keyed non-fiscal by Legislative Counsel.

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

Analysis Prepared by: Michael Erke / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

House Resolution

No. 62

Introduced by Assembly Member Berman

August 19, 2025

House Resolution No. 62—Relative to Student Parent Month.

1 WHEREAS, California is home to approximately 300,000
2 undergraduate student parents — comprising over 12 percent of
3 undergraduate students in the state — along with more than
4 100,000 graduate student parents; and

5 WHEREAS, these student parents are raising over half a million
6 children — making up 6 percent of all children in California and
7 exceeding the total number of children in over 15 states; and

8 WHEREAS, student parents represent diverse socioeconomic,
9 racial, and ethnic backgrounds and are present across urban,
10 suburban, rural, coastal, and inland areas; and

11 WHEREAS, student parents tend to have higher grade point
12 averages than their peers, yet fewer than 40 percent acquire a
13 degree or credential within six years — highlighting the need for
14 college and state investments and targeted resources for this student
15 population; and

16 WHEREAS, student parents pay an annual additional cost of
17 attendance of \$7,592 more per child than nonparenting students
18 attending college, once childcare and food costs are explicitly
19 included; and

20 WHEREAS, student parents often report feeling disconnected,
21 invisible, and unwelcome when their campuses do not meet their
22 unique needs, such as child care, family housing, and flexible
23 scheduling and attendance policies; and

1 WHEREAS, increasing the educational attainment level of the
2 state's 400,000 student parents will have a multiplier effect on
3 their more than 530,000 children, since parental education level
4 has been linked to the academic and economic success of their
5 children; and

6 WHEREAS, California has demonstrated leadership in
7 advancing policies to better serve student parents, including the
8 passage of Assembly Bill 2881 in 2022, the first law in the nation
9 that requires public colleges and universities to provide priority
10 registration for student parents, aiming to remove barriers by
11 alleviating scheduling conflicts; and

12 WHEREAS, California continues to strengthen these supports,
13 including through the passage in 2024 of Assembly Bill 2458, the
14 GAINS for Student Parents Act, which helps student parents afford,
15 enroll in, and complete their higher education journeys by requiring
16 updated cost of attendance policies that account for dependent care
17 expenses and requiring institutional student parent data collection
18 and reporting; and

19 WHEREAS, the United States Senate unanimously passed a
20 resolution designating September 2021 as National Student Parent
21 Month — a national celebration of student parents that
22 acknowledges their sacrifices and contributions — and has
23 recognized National Student Parent Month every September since;
24 and

25 WHEREAS, states, institutions, community organizations, and
26 students throughout the country commemorate National Student
27 Parent Month; and

28 WHEREAS, designating September as Student Parent Month
29 in California will not only acknowledge current student parents,
30 but also serve as a call to recognize the state's 3.9 million parents
31 without a college degree and the parents who dropped out of
32 college because they did not have the support they needed; and

33 WHEREAS, designating September as Student Parent Month
34 in California will also serve as a call to transform colleges and
35 universities into student parent-serving institutions, allowing the
36 state to reach the parents without a degree and supporting the
37 state's goal of 70 percent postsecondary education attainment by
38 2030; and

39 WHEREAS, designating September as Student Parent Month
40 in California will be a step towards ensuring this student population

1 receives the visibility, recognition, resources, and support it
2 deserves; now, therefore, be it

3 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California,* That the
4 Assembly recognizes the month of September as Student Parent
5 Month, and encourages policymakers, institutions of higher
6 education, higher education leaders, and communities to honor
7 and support student parents in creating brighter futures for
8 themselves and their families; and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: August 21, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
HR 62 (Berman) – As Introduced August 19, 2025

SUBJECT: Student Parent Month.

SUMMARY: Recognizes the month of September as Student Parent Month; and, encourages policymakers, institutions of higher education, higher education leaders, and communities to honor and support student parents in creating brighter futures for themselves and their families. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) California is home to approximately 300,000 undergraduate student parents — comprising over 12 percent of undergraduate students in the state — along with more than 100,000 graduate student parents.
- 2) These student parents are raising over half a million children — making up 6 percent of all children in California and exceeding the total number of children in over 15 states.
- 3) Student parents represent diverse socioeconomic, racial, and ethnic backgrounds, and are present across urban, suburban, rural, coastal, and inland areas.
- 4) Student parents often report feeling disconnected, invisible, and unwelcome when their campuses do not meet their unique needs, such as child care, family housing, and flexible scheduling and attendance policies.
- 5) Increasing the educational attainment level of the state’s 400,000 student parents will have a multiplier effect on their more than 530,000 children, since parental education level has been linked to the academic and economic success of their children.
- 6) California has demonstrated leadership in advancing policies to better serve student parents, including the passage of Assembly Bill 2881 in 2022, the first law in the nation that requires public colleges and universities to provide priority registration for student parents, aiming to remove barriers by alleviating scheduling conflicts.
- 7) California continues to strengthen these supports, including through the passage in 2024 of Assembly Bill 2458, the GAINS for Student Parents Act, which helps student parents afford, enroll in, and complete their higher education journeys by requiring updated cost of attendance policies that account for dependent care expenses and requiring institutional student parent data collection and reporting.
- 8) States, institutions, community organizations, and students throughout the country commemorate National Student Parent Month. Designating September as Student Parent Month in California will be a step towards ensuring this student population receives the visibility, recognition, resources, and support it deserves.

FISCAL EFFECT: This resolution is keyed non-fiscal by Legislative Counsel.

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

California Alliance for Student Parent Success

Opposition

None on file

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The CALIFORNIA ALLIANCE *for* STUDENT PARENT SUCCESS

ADMINISTERED BY CALIFORNIA COMPETES: HIGHER EDUCATION
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The Honorable Blanca Pacheco
Chair, Assembly Rules Committee
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RE: House Resolution 62 - SUPPORT

Dear Chair Pacheco,

On behalf of the California Alliance for Student Parent Success, I write to express strong support for House Resolution (HR) 62 authored by Assemblymember Marc Berman, to formally recognize September as Student Parent Month in California.

California is home to approximately 400,000 student parents, most of whom are first-generation students and students of color.¹ This population faces substantial barriers to accessing and completing degree programs, including the high cost of childcare. Once childcare and food expenses are factored in, student parents pay an additional \$7,592 per child each year compared to their non-parenting peers.² Many student parents also report struggling to feel welcome on college campuses, particularly when their unique needs go unmet.³ By cultivating a stronger sense of belonging for this population and ensuring access to resources and supports that promote timely degree completion, California can expand access to opportunities for parents and their families. Helping student parents attain family-sustaining wages can have a profound, intergenerational impact on their well-being and that of their children.⁴

California has taken meaningful steps to promote the postsecondary success of student parents, including by passing AB 2881 and AB 2458, which create requirements for public institutions to provide student parents with priority registration, create dedicated student parent resource webpages, and accurately account for child care expenses in financial aid

¹ The California Alliance for Student Parent Success. (September 2024). Juggling roles and achieving goals. <https://castudentparentalliance.org/resources/ca-student-parents-almanac/>

² California Competes: Higher Education for a Strong Economy. (January 2020). Clarifying the True Cost of College for Student Parents. <https://californiacompetes.org/resources/clarifying-the-true-cost-of-college-for-student-parents/>

³ Generation Hope, Imaginable Futures, Chegg.org, Institute for Women's Policy Research, & The Hope Center for College, Community, and Justice. National student-parent survey results & recommendations. <https://www.generationhope.org/student-parents-report-2020>.

⁴ Foundation for Child Development. (July 2014). Mother's Education and Children's Outcomes: How Dual-Generation Progs Governor's Office of California. (January 2022). The California Blueprint: Strengthening Our World-Class Higher Education System. <https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/Higher-Education-Fact-Sheet.pdf>
rams Offer Increased Opportunities for America's Families. <https://files.eric.ed.gov/fulltext/ED558149.pdf>

calculations. Building on these gains, California can continue to uplift student parents—and the continued investments needed to reach the state's goal of 70 percent postsecondary attainment for this population by 2030—by recognizing September as Student Parent Month. This designation would provide an opportunity to celebrate student parents across the state, while also acknowledging the 3.9 million parents without a college degree and those who left college because they lacked the support needed to complete their studies.⁵

For these reasons, we urge your support of HR 62 (Berman).

Sincerely,



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⁵ California Competes: Higher Education for a Strong Economy. (February 2021). Untapped Opportunity: Understanding and Advancing Prospects for Californians without a College Degree.
<https://californiacompetes.org/resources/untapped-opportunity-understanding-and-advancing-prospects-for-californians-without-a-college-degree/>