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Memo

To: Rules Committee Members
From: Michael Erke, Bill Referral Consultant
Date: 5/1/2026
Re: Consent Bill Referrals

Since you received your preliminary list of bill referrals, the following bills have been removed from the referral list: SB 46, SB 490, and SB 574.

REFERRAL OF BILLS TO COMMITTEE

05/04/2026

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

<u>Assembly Bill No.</u>	<u>Committee:</u>
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<u>SB 401</u>	ELECTIONS
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<u>SB 813</u>	P. & C.P.
<u>SB 832</u>	W., P., & W.

<u>SB 837</u>	AGING & L.T.C.
<u>SB 837</u>	E.M.
<u>SB 849</u>	B. & P.
<u>SB 897</u>	TRANS.
<u>SB 918</u>	HEALTH
<u>SB 935</u>	L. GOV.
<u>SB 968</u>	HIGHER ED.
<u>SB 999</u>	REV. & TAX.
<u>SB 1005</u>	L. GOV.
<u>SB 1017</u>	ED.
<u>SB 1073</u>	REV. & TAX.
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<u>SB 1078</u>	REV. & TAX.
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<u>SB 1294</u>	G.O.
<u>SB 1376</u>	B. & P.
<u>SB 1391</u>	B. & P.
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<u>SCR 128</u>	RLS.
<u>SCR 130</u>	RLS.
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AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY APRIL 21, 2026

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2025–26 REGULAR SESSION

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 123

Introduced by Assembly Member Chen

January 20, 2026

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 123—Relative to ~~the Dragon Boat Festival~~. *Duanwu Jie*.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 123, as amended, Chen. ~~Dragon Boat Festival~~. *Duanwu Jie*.

This measure would recognize June 19, 2026, as Duanwu Jie, also known as the Dragon Boat Festival, and would celebrate the cultural contributions and rich heritage of the communities who observe this important festival.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, Duanwu Jie, also known as the Dragon Boat
2 Festival, is a holiday with more than 2,000 years of history and
3 deep cultural significance; and
4 WHEREAS, Observed on the fifth day of the fifth lunar month,
5 Duanwu Jie is traditionally associated with honoring the poet and
6 statesman Qu Yuan, whose legacy represents loyalty, integrity,
7 and devotion to the public good; and
8 WHEREAS, Over time, the festival has also become a
9 celebration of community and cultural heritage; and
10 WHEREAS, Duanwu Jie is most famously marked by dragon
11 boat races in which teams paddle in unison to the rhythm of drums
12 symbolizing cooperation and perseverance; and

1 WHEREAS, Families and communities also celebrate by
2 preparing and sharing zongzi, which is sticky rice wrapped in
3 bamboo leaves, which reflects tradition, care, and togetherness.
4 In many households, people hang herbs or wear protective charms,
5 which are customs rooted in wishes for good health; and
6 WHEREAS, Today, Duanwu Jie continues to be celebrated
7 around the world, bringing people together across generations and
8 cultures; now, therefore, be it
9 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
10 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature hereby recognizes June
11 19, 2026, as Duanwu Jie and celebrates the cultural contributions
12 and rich heritage of the communities who observe this important
13 festival; and be it further
14 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
15 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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Date of Hearing: May 4, 2026

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
ACR 123 (Chen) – As Amended April 21, 2026

SUBJECT: Duanwu Jie.

SUMMARY: Recognizes June 19, 2026, as Duanwu Jie and celebrates the cultural contributions and rich heritage of the communities who observe this important festival. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Duanwu Jie, also known as the Dragon Boat Festival, is a holiday with more than 2,000 years of history and deep cultural significance.
- 2) Observed on the fifth day of the fifth lunar month, Duanwu Jie is traditionally associated with honoring the poet and statesman Qu Yuan, whose legacy represents loyalty, integrity, and devotion to the public good.
- 3) Over time, the festival has also become a celebration of community and cultural heritage. Duanwu Jie is most famously marked by dragon boat races in which teams paddle in unison to the rhythm of drums symbolizing cooperation and perseverance.
- 4) Families and communities also celebrate by preparing and sharing zongzi, which is sticky rice wrapped in bamboo leaves, which reflects tradition, care, and togetherness. In many households, people hang herbs or wear protective charms, which are customs rooted in wishes for good health.
- 5) Today, Duanwu Jie continues to be celebrated around the world, bringing people together across generations and cultures.

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. 167

Introduced by Assembly Member Hadwick

March 26, 2026

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 167—Relative to world agritourism day.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 167, as introduced, Hadwick. World Agritourism Day.

This measure would proclaim May 16, 2026, as World Agritourism Day.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, California is the nation’s leading agricultural state,
2 producing more than 400 commodities and annually contributing
3 tens of billions of dollars to the state’s economy; and

4 WHEREAS, Family farmers and ranchers across California
5 steward millions of acres of working lands that provide food, fiber,
6 wildlife habitat, and open space for future generations; and

7 WHEREAS, Agritourism, activities that invite the public onto
8 farms, ranches, and agricultural operations for educational,
9 recreational, and cultural experiences, strengthen the connection
10 between consumers and the agricultural producers who grow their
11 food; and

12 WHEREAS, Agritourism activities, such as farm tours, harvest
13 festivals, farm stays, pumpkin patches, u-pick operations, farmers’
14 markets, and agricultural education programs, help Californians
15 better understand where their food comes from and the hard work
16 required to produce it; and

1 WHEREAS, These activities also provide farmers and ranchers
2 with opportunities to diversify their income, helping sustain family
3 farms and rural economies in the face of rising costs, drought,
4 regulatory burdens, and market volatility; and
5 WHEREAS, Rural communities throughout California benefit
6 from agritourism through increased visitation, local spending, and
7 support for small businesses; and
8 WHEREAS, Agritourism plays an important role in educating
9 young people about agriculture, natural resources, conservation,
10 and the importance of preserving California’s agricultural heritage;
11 and
12 WHEREAS, World Agritourism Day is celebrated
13 internationally to highlight the value of agritourism in supporting
14 farmers, strengthening rural communities, and promoting
15 sustainable agricultural practices; now, therefore, be it
16 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
17 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature recognizes May 16, 2026,
18 as World Agritourism Day and encourages all Californians to visit
19 local farms and ranches, support agricultural producers, and learn
20 more about the vital role agriculture plays in our state; and be it
21 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: May 4, 2026

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
ACR 167 (Hadwick) – As Introduced March 26, 2026

SUBJECT: World Agritourism Day.

SUMMARY: Recognizes May 16, 2026, as World Agritourism Day; and, encourages all Californians to visit local farms and ranches, support agricultural producers, and learn more about the vital role agriculture plays in our state. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) California is the nation’s leading agricultural state, producing more than 400 commodities and annually contributing tens of billions of dollars to the state’s economy.
- 2) Family farmers and ranchers across California steward millions of acres of working lands that provide food, fiber, wildlife habitat, and open space for future generations.
- 3) Agritourism, activities that invite the public onto farms, ranches, and agricultural operations for educational, recreational, and cultural experiences, strengthen the connection between consumers and the agricultural producers who grow their food.
- 4) Agritourism activities, such as farm tours, harvest festivals, farm stays, pumpkin patches, u-pick operations, farmers’ markets, and agricultural education programs, help Californians better understand where their food comes from and the hard work required to produce it.
- 5) These activities also provide farmers and ranchers with opportunities to diversify their income, helping sustain family farms and rural economies in the face of rising costs, drought, regulatory burdens, and market volatility.
- 6) Agritourism plays an important role in educating young people about agriculture, natural resources, conservation, and the importance of preserving California’s agricultural heritage.
- 7) World Agritourism Day is celebrated internationally to highlight the value of agritourism in supporting farmers, strengthening rural communities, and promoting sustainable agricultural practices.

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. 174

Introduced by Assembly Member Muratsuchi

April 9, 2026

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 174—Relative to Student Mental Health Awareness Week in California.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 174, as introduced, Muratsuchi. Student Mental Health Awareness Week in California.

This measure would recognize May 11, 2026, to May 15, 2026, inclusive, as Student Mental Health Awareness Week in California.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, Childhood and adolescence are critical times for
2 physical and mental development; and
3 WHEREAS, Mental health affects how children and adolescents
4 think, feel, and act; and
5 WHEREAS, The development of sound mental health is
6 important for overall health and well-being throughout the lifespan;
7 and
8 WHEREAS, Mental health issues among children and youth
9 can seriously change how they learn, behave, and handle their
10 emotions throughout their lifespan; and
11 WHEREAS, Today’s students are exposed to the pervasive
12 influence of social media, which has the potential to induce
13 negative psychological consequences such as heightened social
14 anxiety and increased feelings of loneliness; and

1 WHEREAS, More than 42 percent of high school students
2 experienced persistent feelings of sadness or hopelessness, a
3 50-percent increase in the past decade; and

4 WHEREAS, Schools are ideally situated to provide services
5 and programs that aim to improve students' feelings of
6 connectedness within the school environment; and

7 WHEREAS, Improving student mental health begins with
8 focused efforts to create safe and secure learning environments
9 that promote respect, inclusion, and kindness and reduce mental
10 health stigma; and

11 WHEREAS, The early identification and treatment of mental
12 and behavioral health issues are critical components for a healthy
13 student body and school community; and

14 WHEREAS, The need for comprehensive and coordinated
15 mental and behavioral health services for students in school is a
16 critical part of an overall education plan; and

17 WHEREAS, School-based mental health professionals (i.e.,
18 school counselors, school social workers, and school psychologists)
19 are instrumental in identifying and treating students, offering a
20 range of services; and

21 WHEREAS, School counselors, school social workers, school
22 psychologists, school nurses, and other mental health professionals
23 and support staff, including certified wellness coaches, are essential
24 to a well-balanced school-based mental, behavioral, and physical
25 health workforce; and

26 WHEREAS, Mental health programs in schools should also
27 include student education and outreach to families; and

28 WHEREAS, Addressing the mental health needs of homeless
29 and foster youth can contribute to breaking the cycle of adversity,
30 fostering resilience, and empowering these students to achieve
31 their full potential; and

32 WHEREAS, Addressing the mental health of teachers and other
33 staff members improves services to students and contributes to
34 school cultures that are more empathic, understanding, and
35 supportive; and

36 WHEREAS, Support for all students who have experienced
37 trauma resulting from racial injustice should be a part of the overall
38 service plan and approach by schools to promote equity and
39 healing; and

1 WHEREAS, By elevating the importance of mental and
2 behavioral health in schools and by providing our children and
3 youth with resources, we can dispel the stigma that surrounds
4 mental health and cultivate a supportive and compassionate culture
5 in our schools and communities; and

6 WHEREAS, It is important to set aside a week that recognizes
7 the mental health of students in order to support the needs and
8 well-being of students in California; now, therefore, be it

9 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
10 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature hereby recognizes May
11 11, 2026, to May 15, 2026, inclusive, as Student Mental Health
12 Awareness Week in California; 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.

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Date of Hearing: May 4, 2026

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
ACR 174 (Muratsuchi) – As Introduced April 9, 2026

SUBJECT: Student Mental Health Awareness Week in California.

SUMMARY: Recognizes May 11, 2026, to May 15, 2026, inclusive, as Student Mental Health Awareness Week in California. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Childhood and adolescence are critical times for physical and mental development. Mental health affects how children and adolescents think, feel, and act.
- 2) Mental health issues among children and youth can seriously change how they learn, behave, and handle their emotions throughout their lifespan.
- 3) Today’s students are exposed to the pervasive influence of social media, which has the potential to induce negative psychological consequences such as heightened social anxiety and increased feelings of loneliness. More than 42 percent of high school students experienced persistent feelings of sadness or hopelessness, a 50-percent increase in the past decade.
- 4) Improving student mental health begins with focused efforts to create safe and secure learning environments that promote respect, inclusion, and kindness and reduce mental health stigma.
- 5) School counselors, school social workers, school psychologists, school nurses, and other mental health professionals and support staff, including certified wellness coaches, are essential to a well-balanced school-based mental, behavioral, and physical health workforce.
- 6) By elevating the importance of mental and behavioral health in schools and by providing our children and youth with resources, we can dispel the stigma that surrounds mental health and cultivate a supportive and compassionate culture in our schools and communities.

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

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY APRIL 27, 2026

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2025–26 REGULAR SESSION

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 182

Introduced by Assembly Member Ransom

April 22, 2026

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 182—Relative to Youth Mental Health Awareness Week in California.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 182, as amended, Ransom. Youth Mental Health Awareness Week in California.

This measure would designate ~~May 11, 3, 2026~~, to ~~May 15, 9, 2026~~, inclusive, as Youth Mental Health Awareness Week in California.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, Mental health must be prioritized with the same
- 2 urgency as physical health; and
- 3 WHEREAS, It is important for our youth to thrive and have a
- 4 positive quality of life, which cannot be achieved without taking
- 5 care of their mental health; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Mental health plays a significant role in the overall
- 7 well-being of youth, thus the importance to recognize and support
- 8 mental health services for them; and
- 9 WHEREAS, It is important to foster inclusivity for our youth,
- 10 who, with the rise of social media influence, have been subject to
- 11 negative psychological effects; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Mental health plays a pivotal role in the everyday
- 13 lives of youth. It is between 12 and 25 years of age when we learn
- 14 to navigate the world; and

1 WHEREAS, Mental health can significantly influence how
2 children and youth behave in their daily lives; and
3 WHEREAS, Schools have the ability to foster inclusive, safe,
4 supportive, respectful, and empowering environments for students
5 who are suffering from mental illnesses; and
6 WHEREAS, Young people are rapidly learning social and
7 emotional skills that shape their future ability to learn and adapt
8 into different situations of life; and
9 WHEREAS, Youth mental health programs should address
10 trauma, while promoting resilience, healing, and the pursuit of
11 academic success for all students; and
12 WHEREAS, Prioritizing mental health in our youth and
13 providing them with resources can help reduce stigma and cultivate
14 a culture of resilience, support, and compassion within schools
15 and communities; and
16 WHEREAS, It is essential to designate a week dedicated to
17 recognizing the mental health of our youth and supporting their
18 well-being; now, therefore, be it
19 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
20 *thereof concurring,* That the Legislature hereby designates May
21 ~~4~~, 3, 2026, to May ~~15~~, 9, 2026, inclusive, as Youth Mental Health
22 Awareness Week in California; and be 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: May 4, 2026

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
ACR 182 (Ransom) – As Amended April 27, 2026

SUBJECT: Youth Mental Health Awareness Week in California.

SUMMARY: Designates May 3, 2026, to May 9, 2026, inclusive, as Youth Mental Health Awareness Week in California. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Mental health must be prioritized with the same urgency as physical health. It is important for our youth to thrive and have a positive quality of life, which cannot be achieved without taking care of their mental health.
- 2) Mental health plays a significant role in the overall well-being of youth, thus the importance to recognize and support mental health services for them.
- 3) It is important to foster inclusivity for our youth, who, with the rise of social media influence, have been subject to negative psychological effects. Mental health can significantly influence how children and youth behave in their daily lives.
- 4) Schools have the ability to foster inclusive, safe, supportive, respectful, and empowering environments for students who are suffering from mental illnesses.
- 5) Young people are rapidly learning social and emotional skills that shape their future ability to learn and adapt into different situations of life. Youth mental health programs should address trauma, while promoting resilience, healing, and the pursuit of academic success for all students.
- 6) Prioritizing mental health in our youth and providing them with resources can help reduce stigma and cultivate a culture of resilience, support, and compassion within schools and communities.
- 7) It is essential to designate a week dedicated to recognizing the mental health of our youth and supporting their well-being.

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. 184

Introduced by Assembly Member Rivas

April 27, 2026

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 184—Relative to Stuttering Awareness and Acceptance Week.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 184, as introduced, Rivas. Stuttering Awareness and Acceptance Week.

This measure would proclaim the week of May 10, 2026, to May 16, 2026, inclusive, as 2026 Stuttering Awareness and Acceptance Week.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, Stuttering is a speech dysfluency characterized by
2 repetition of sounds, syllables, or words, prolongation of sounds,
3 and interruptions in speech; and

4 WHEREAS, It is estimated that about 1 percent of the world’s
5 population stutters and roughly 3,000,000 Americans stutter; and

6 WHEREAS, Organizations dedicated to bringing hope and
7 empowerment to children and adults who stutter through support,
8 education, and advocacy have locations throughout California;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, Paul Castellano and Barbara Hubbard Koval
11 organized the drive to win Congressional recognition for people
12 who stutter, and in 1988 President Ronald Reagan signed a
13 proclamation establishing the second week in May 1988 as
14 National Stuttering Awareness Week; and

1 WHEREAS, Many stutterers feel frustration and embarrassment
2 that can lead to harmful emotional stress; and

3 WHEREAS, Stuttering is a form of verbal diversity and should
4 be recognized as simply a different way of speaking; and

5 WHEREAS, While raising awareness of stuttering is an
6 important first step, advocates increasingly emphasize the
7 importance of acceptance, which fosters inclusion, reduces stigma,
8 and affirms stuttering as a natural part of human diversity; and

9 WHEREAS, When stuttering continues into adulthood, a person
10 may have difficulty communicating with other people and stuttering
11 may affect a person's quality of life, interpersonal relationships,
12 job opportunities, and professional growth; and

13 WHEREAS, During National Stuttering Awareness Week, many
14 seek to raise awareness about communication disorders and the
15 many ways that people with the daily challenges of stuttering can
16 be supported; and

17 WHEREAS, By recognizing these challenges, we can draw
18 attention to the needs of persons who stutter, shine a light on these
19 often invisible disabilities, and help avoid the negative
20 consequences of misunderstanding stuttering; and

21 WHEREAS, Many years of public advocacy campaigns,
22 personal experiences, and individuals or groups acting as informal
23 ambassadors have raised the awareness of both speech disabilities
24 and stuttering; and

25 WHEREAS, Raising awareness of speech disabilities and
26 stuttering involves awareness not only of individuals but also
27 unique individual needs and contributions; and

28 WHEREAS, As stuttering awareness campaigns have become
29 more common, so too has public awareness and acceptance; and

30 WHEREAS, Progress towards awareness and acceptance is to
31 be both celebrated and built upon; and

32 WHEREAS, The opportunity for inclusiveness is the next logical
33 step in the progress California must make to not only fully support
34 and welcome the voices of people who stutter, but to also show
35 their voices are needed; and

36 WHEREAS, A growing number of families in California have
37 a family member with a stutter and know that inclusion is a crucial
38 element for their loved ones' future success; and

1 WHEREAS, This proclamation will increase and encourage
2 public participation at the local and state government level; now,
3 therefore, be it

4 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
5 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature hereby proclaims the
6 week of May 10, 2026, to May 16, 2026, inclusive, as 2026
7 Stuttering Awareness and Acceptance Week and encourages all
8 Californians to support the stuttering community; 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: May 4, 2026

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
ACR 184 (Rivas) – As Introduced April 27, 2026

SUBJECT: Stuttering Awareness and Acceptance Week.

SUMMARY: Proclaims the week of May 10, 2026, to May 16, 2026, inclusive, as 2026 Stuttering Awareness and Acceptance Week; and, encourages all Californians to support the stuttering community. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Stuttering is a speech dysfluency characterized by repetition of sounds, syllables, or words, prolongation of sounds, and interruptions in speech. It is estimated that about one percent of the world’s population stutters and roughly three million Americans stutter.
- 2) Many stutterers feel frustration and embarrassment that can lead to harmful emotional stress. Stuttering is a form of speech diversity and should be recognized as simply a different way of speaking. When stuttering continues into adulthood, a person may have difficulty communicating with other people, and stuttering may affect a person’s quality of life, interpersonal relationships, job opportunities, and professional growth.
- 3) During National Stuttering Awareness Week, many seek to raise awareness about communication disorders and the many ways that people with the daily challenges of stuttering can be supported.
- 4) Organizations dedicated to bringing hope and empowerment to children and adults who stutter through support, education, and advocacy have locations throughout California.
- 5) Raising awareness of speech disabilities and stuttering involves awareness not only of individuals, but also unique individual needs and contributions. As stuttering awareness campaigns have become more common, so too has public awareness and acceptance.
- 6) Progress towards awareness and acceptance is to be both celebrated and built upon. The opportunity for inclusiveness is the next logical step in the progress California must make to not only fully support and welcome the voices of people who stutter, but to also show their voices are needed.

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. 188

Introduced by Assembly Member Soria

April 29, 2026

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 188—Relative to food and agriculture.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 188, as introduced, Soria. California’s Farm Week.

This measure would designate May 10, 2026, to May 16, 2026, inclusive, as California’s Farm Week.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, From nurturing careers to building vibrant
2 communities, our agricultural industry is the backbone of California
3 and we honor the dedication and hard work of those in the
4 agricultural sector who help feed the nation and sustain our
5 communities; and

6 WHEREAS, For more than 60 consecutive years, California
7 has been the number one agricultural state in the nation, producing
8 more than 400 crop and livestock products and accounting for over
9 one-third of vegetables and nearly three-quarters of the fruits and
10 nuts produced in the United States; and

11 WHEREAS, Farming and related industries employ more than
12 22,100,000 people, making up over 10.4 percent of employment
13 in the United States; and

14 WHEREAS, California’s agricultural community relies on a
15 vital infrastructure that aids in the exclusion and early detection

1 of plant and animal pests and diseases that impact public health,
2 the environment, and commerce; and

3 WHEREAS, The inexhaustible efforts of millions of
4 farmworkers have contributed greatly to the success of the industry;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, Today’s agricultural industry offers over 200
7 challenging and rewarding career opportunities, from on-farm
8 cultivation to food science and engineering; and

9 WHEREAS, Over the past seven decades, advances in
10 agricultural production have resulted in a drop in consumer
11 spending on food products from 22 percent of average household
12 disposable income in 1949 to 11.2 percent in 2023; and

13 WHEREAS, California is the nation’s leader in agricultural
14 exports, shipping \$23.6 billion in food and agricultural
15 commodities around the world in 2022, which represents a 4.4
16 percent increase from the previous year; and

17 WHEREAS, California is the nation’s sole exporter of many
18 agricultural commodities, supplying 99 percent or more of the
19 nation’s exported almonds, artichokes, figs, garlic, kiwifruit, olives
20 and olive oil, pistachios, plums, prunes, raisins, table grapes,
21 tomatoes for processing, and walnuts; and

22 WHEREAS, California’s agricultural industry constantly seeks
23 to incorporate the latest scientific and technological production
24 and marketing techniques to meet the demands of changing
25 consumer needs and complex world markets; and

26 WHEREAS, Science, technology, and innovation have enabled
27 California agriculture to continually improve quality, safety, and
28 consumer product choice, and drive advancements in organic
29 production, reduced water use, and more sustainable pest
30 management practices, including biological controls; and

31 WHEREAS, California agriculture has provided strong
32 leadership in the adoption of climate-smart practices to reduce
33 methane and other greenhouse gas emissions, improve energy
34 efficiency, save water, and scale up soil health practices to
35 sequester carbon and other solutions to climate change; and

36 WHEREAS, Public-private partnerships are continually being
37 developed to improve quality and ensure safe handling practices
38 on the farm, in transit, and during processing; and

39 WHEREAS, California consumers say that it is important to
40 them to purchase food items grown in the state and they have

1 demonstrated increased support of farmers' markets,
2 community-supported agricultural programs, and Farm to School
3 programs; and

4 WHEREAS, A broad approach to agricultural education is vital
5 to ensuring that California agricultural farms and ranches continue
6 to flourish; and

7 WHEREAS, California is estimated to lose 797,400 acres of
8 agricultural land by 2040, and more than 300,000 acres of it will
9 have been highly productive irrigated cropland, and thus California
10 should continue to work for conservation to preserve California's
11 agricultural heritage; and

12 WHEREAS, It is appropriate for all Californians to recognize
13 our farmers, ranchers, farmworkers, and others involved in
14 providing such a bounty to our nation and the entire world; now,
15 therefore, be it

16 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
17 *thereof concurring*, That May 10, 2026, to May 16, 2026, inclusive,
18 is designated as California's Farm Week; and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: May 4, 2026

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
ACR 188 (Soria) – As Introduced April 29, 2026

SUBJECT: California’s Farm Week.

SUMMARY: Designates May 10, 2026, to May 16, 2026, inclusive, as California’s Farm Week. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) From nurturing careers to building vibrant communities, our agricultural industry is the backbone of California and we honor the dedication and hard work of those in the agricultural sector who help feed the nation and sustain our communities.
- 2) For more than 60 consecutive years, California has been the number one agricultural state in the nation, producing more than 400 crop and livestock products and accounting for over one-third of vegetables and nearly three-quarters of the fruits and nuts produced in the United States.
- 3) California’s agricultural community relies on a vital infrastructure that aids in the exclusion and early detection of plant and animal pests and diseases that impact public health, the environment, and commerce. The inexhaustible efforts of millions of farmworkers have contributed greatly to the success of the industry.
- 4) California is the nation’s leader in agricultural exports, shipping \$23.6 billion in food and agricultural commodities around the world in 2022, which represents a 4.4 percent increase from the previous year. California is the nation’s sole exporter of many agricultural commodities, supplying 99 percent or more of the nation’s exported almonds, artichokes, figs, garlic, kiwifruit, olives and olive oil, pistachios, plums, prunes, raisins, table grapes, tomatoes for processing, and walnuts.
- 5) California’s agricultural industry constantly seeks to incorporate the latest scientific and technological production and marketing techniques to meet the demands of changing consumer needs and complex world markets.
- 6) California agriculture has provided strong leadership in the adoption of climate-smart practices to reduce methane and other greenhouse gas emissions, improve energy efficiency, save water, and scale up soil health practices to sequester carbon and other solutions to climate change.
- 7) Public-private partnerships are continually being developed to improve quality and ensure safe handling practices on the farm, in transit, and during processing.
- 8) It is appropriate for all Californians to recognize our farmers, ranchers, farmworkers, and others involved in providing such a bounty to our nation and the entire world.

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. 189

Introduced by Assembly Member Ahrens

April 30, 2026

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 189—Relative to Foster Youth Awareness Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 189, as introduced, Ahrens. Foster Youth Awareness Month.

This measure would proclaim the month of May 2026 as Foster Youth Awareness Month in California.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, California’s children and youth are our hope for
2 the future, and all children deserve a safe, loving, accepting, stable,
3 and nurturing home; and

4 WHEREAS, Preserving families is the primary goal of the child
5 welfare system; and

6 WHEREAS, A child’s success is best supported in a child
7 welfare system that is family-focused, child-centered, and
8 community-based; and

9 WHEREAS, Kinship families, foster families, foster family
10 agencies, and short-term residential therapeutic programs play a
11 critical role in supporting children in foster care and making family
12 reunification possible; and

13 WHEREAS, Nearly 100 times per day, a child is placed in foster
14 care in California; and

15 WHEREAS, One-third of all the nation’s unaccompanied
16 homeless youth are in California; and

1 WHEREAS, California has over 43,000 children in the foster
2 care system, disproportionately from Black and Native families;
3 and

4 WHEREAS, The proportions of Black and Native youth in foster
5 care are around four times larger than the proportions of Black
6 and Native youth in California overall; and

7 WHEREAS, One-half of all children in foster care have endured
8 four or more adverse childhood experiences such as abuse, neglect,
9 and abandonment, which can negatively impact their health and
10 development; and

11 WHEREAS, Numerous national studies have documented that
12 children involved with the child welfare system have increased
13 rates of chronic health problems, developmental delays and
14 disabilities, mental health needs, and substance abuse problems;
15 and

16 WHEREAS, Research indicates that foster youth experience
17 rates of homelessness ranging from 11 percent to 38 percent,
18 inclusive, which is disproportionately higher than that of the
19 general population; and

20 WHEREAS, In California, while 93 percent of foster youth say
21 they want to attend college, only 4 percent of former foster youth
22 obtain their bachelor's degree by 26 years of age, compared to 50
23 percent of their peers; and

24 WHEREAS, For children and youth in the foster care system,
25 we must continue finding them loving homes, provide them with
26 the resources they need, and deliver safe and supportive permanent
27 homes; and

28 WHEREAS, California further recognizes the strength,
29 resilience, and leadership of foster youth and former foster youth,
30 who contribute meaningfully to their communities, lead advocacy
31 efforts, inform policy, and drive systems change through their
32 lived expertise; and

33 WHEREAS, Foster youth continue to challenge and redefine
34 traditional measures of success by pursuing education, careers,
35 healing, community leadership, and personal growth on their own
36 terms, despite systemic barriers and disparities reflected in
37 outcomes data; and

38 WHEREAS, California recognizes the enduring and valuable
39 contribution of relatives and foster and adoptive parents who open

1 their hearts, families, and homes to vulnerable children and youth;
2 and

3 WHEREAS, California recognizes the numerous individuals
4 and public and nonprofit organizations that work to meet the needs
5 of current and former children and youth in the foster care system,
6 including helping to provide vital connections to siblings and
7 launching young people into successful adulthood; and

8 WHEREAS, California is engaged in a tiered rate structure
9 intended to improve the experience and outcomes of children and
10 youth in foster care by making more informed and appropriate
11 initial placement decisions, emphasizing home-based family care
12 placements of children, adequately supporting these placements
13 with needed services, adequately supporting foster family agencies
14 and short-term residential therapeutic programs for youth whose
15 needs cannot be met safely in family settings, and increasing
16 transparency and accountability for child outcomes; and

17 WHEREAS, California is further engaged in building a
18 comprehensive behavioral health system for youth and families
19 impacted by the child welfare system that is responsive to the
20 trauma inherent to family separation; now, therefore, be it

21 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
22 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature designates the month of
23 May 2026 as Foster Youth Awareness Month in California; and
24 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: May 4, 2026

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
ACR 189 (Ahrens) – As Introduced April 30, 2026

SUBJECT: Foster Youth Awareness Month.

SUMMARY: Designates the month of May 2026 as Foster Youth Awareness Month in California. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) California’s children and youth are our hope for the future, and all children deserve a safe, loving, accepting, stable, and nurturing home. Preserving families is the primary goal of the child welfare system.
- 2) Kinship families, foster families, foster family agencies, and short-term residential therapeutic programs play a critical role in supporting children in foster care and making family reunification possible.
- 3) One-half of all children in foster care have endured four or more adverse childhood experiences such as abuse, neglect, and abandonment, which can negatively impact their health and development. For children and youth in the foster care system, we must continue finding them loving homes, provide them with the resources they need, and deliver safe and supportive permanent homes.
- 4) California further recognizes the strength, resilience, and leadership of foster youth and former foster youth, who contribute meaningfully to their communities, lead advocacy efforts, inform policy, and drive systems change through their lived expertise.
- 5) Foster youth continue to challenge and redefine traditional measures of success by pursuing education, careers, healing, community leadership, and personal growth on their own terms, despite systemic barriers and disparities reflected in outcomes data.
- 6) California recognizes the numerous individuals and public and nonprofit organizations that work to meet the needs of current and former children and youth in the foster care system, including helping to provide vital connections to siblings and launching young people into successful adulthood.

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. 190

Introduced by Assembly Member Ortega

April 30, 2026

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 190—Relative to the California Day of the Teacher.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 190, as introduced, Ortega. California Day of the Teacher.

This measure would proclaim May 13, 2026, as the California Day of the Teacher.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, Today’s teachers continue to mold the minds of
2 our future workforce and generations to come; and

3 WHEREAS, Today, we recognize that teachers continue to face
4 significant challenges, as their workloads continue to increase;
5 their schools and school districts are underresourced and subject
6 to budget cuts; and their wages and benefits lag behind those of
7 comparable professionals; and

8 WHEREAS, In 2026, the California Teachers Association
9 published “The State of California’s Public Schools: A Survey of
10 TK-12 Educators” (survey), which contained the results of over
11 2,000 member surveys and reported that 80 percent of those
12 educators surveyed reported that schools in California do not have
13 enough resources to meet the needs of pupils; and

14 WHEREAS, The California Teachers Association survey found
15 that 88 percent of educators surveyed reported insufficient funding

1 for schools and low pay for educators, while 78 percent reported
2 their classrooms were overcrowded; and

3 WHEREAS, The California Teachers Association survey found
4 that 84 percent of educators surveyed reported insufficient
5 resources, staff, or training to support special education pupils, yet
6 despite all the statistics, 77 percent of those surveyed still say they
7 love their job; and

8 WHEREAS, Today, we recognize that teachers continue to face
9 significant challenges as their workloads increase due to additional
10 duties being added on a daily, weekly, and monthly basis; and

11 WHEREAS, Although teachers lack appropriate resources, they
12 have done and will continue doing incredible work with what they
13 have been given; and

14 WHEREAS, Teachers deserve to be honored in the highest
15 regard for their resilience, their dedication, and the ongoing support
16 they provide to our pupils; and

17 WHEREAS, No other profession touches as many people with
18 such a lasting effect and has the potential to transform lives the
19 way teachers do; and

20 WHEREAS, Advocating for smaller class sizes is beneficial for
21 the classroom environment as it allows teachers to connect more
22 with pupils, increases instructional time, and individualizes
23 education; and

24 WHEREAS, Good teaching grows in value and pays dividends
25 far beyond the classroom and will continue to shape future
26 generations to come; and

27 WHEREAS, To continue educating the population of California,
28 teacher grant programs are necessary to provide the training and
29 mentorship needed to encourage teachers to remain in classrooms;
30 and

31 WHEREAS, Currently, the recipients of these grants mirror the
32 race and ethnicity of the population of California, and having a
33 diverse workforce leads to an increase in innovation and has a
34 positive impact on the younger generation; and

35 WHEREAS, According to the State Department of Education,
36 California is facing a teacher shortage, with more than 10,000
37 vacancies statewide, showing the dire need to retain teachers; and

38 WHEREAS, California teachers bring a variety of cultural
39 backgrounds that increase the academic performance of pupils of
40 color, including improved reading and mathematics test scores,

1 improved graduation rates, and an increase in pupil aspirations to
2 attend college; and

3 WHEREAS, Long ago California recognized the immeasurable
4 value of our teachers, and the second Wednesday in May has
5 traditionally been recognized as the California Day of the Teacher,
6 a special observance that honors teachers and the teaching
7 profession; and

8 WHEREAS, The California Day of the Teacher has been
9 sponsored by the California Teachers Association and the
10 Association of Mexican American Educators, and was first
11 recognized in 1982; and

12 WHEREAS, California has patterned its celebration after the
13 traditional El Día del Maestro festivities observed in Mexico and
14 other Latin American countries; and

15 WHEREAS, The national Day of the Teacher will be celebrated
16 on May 5, 2026; and

17 WHEREAS, The Day of the Teacher should be a day for school
18 districts, parents, public officials, and the community to recognize
19 the dedication and commitment of teachers who are educating our
20 children; now, therefore, be it

21 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
22 *thereof concurring, That the day of May 13, 2026, be proclaimed*
23 *the California Day of the Teacher; and be it further*

24 *Resolved, That the Legislature hereby urges all Californians to*
25 *observe the Day of the Teacher by taking the time to remember*
26 *and honor all individuals who give the gift of knowledge through*
27 *teaching; and be it further*

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

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Date of Hearing: May 4, 2026

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
ACR 190 (Ortega) – As Introduced April 30, 2026

SUBJECT: California Day of the Teacher.

SUMMARY: Proclaims May 13, 2026, as the California Day of the Teacher. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Today’s teachers continue to mold the minds of our future workforce and generations to come. We recognize that teachers continue to face significant challenges, as their workloads continue to increase; their schools and school districts are under-resourced and subject to budget cuts; and their wages and benefits lag behind those of comparable professionals.
- 2) Although teachers lack appropriate resources, they have done and will continue doing incredible work with what they have been given. Teachers deserve to be honored in the highest regard for their resilience, their dedication, and the ongoing support they provide to our pupils.
- 3) No other profession touches as many people with such a lasting effect and has the potential to transform lives the way teachers do. Good teaching grows in value and pays dividends far beyond the classroom and will continue to shape future generations to come.
- 4) According to the State Department of Education, California is facing a teacher shortage, with more than 10,000 vacancies statewide, showing the dire need to retain teachers.
- 5) California teachers bring a variety of cultural backgrounds that increase the academic performance of pupils of color, including improved reading and mathematics test scores, improved graduation rates, and an increase in pupil aspirations to attend college.
- 6) The California Day of the Teacher has been sponsored by the California Teachers Association and the Association of Mexican American Educators, and was first recognized in 1982. California has patterned its celebration after the traditional El Día del Maestro festivities observed in Mexico and other Latin American countries.
- 7) The national Day of the Teacher will be celebrated on May 5, 2026.
- 8) The Day of the Teacher should be a day for school districts, parents, public officials, and the community to recognize the dedication and commitment of teachers who are educating our children.

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. 105

**Introduced by Assembly Member Zbur
(Coauthors: Assembly Members Alanis, Boerner, Dixon,
Jeff Gonzalez, Papan, Ransom, and Ward)**

April 13, 2026

House Resolution No. 105—Relative to Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Awareness Month.

1 WHEREAS, Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), also
2 commonly known as Lou Gehrig’s disease, is a progressive fatal
3 neurodegenerative disease in which a person’s brain loses
4 connection with their muscles, slowly reducing a person’s ability
5 to walk, talk, eat, and eventually breathe; and
6 WHEREAS, Thousands of new ALS cases are reported every
7 year, and estimates show that every 90 minutes someone is
8 diagnosed with ALS and someone passes away from ALS; and
9 WHEREAS, On average, patients diagnosed with ALS survive
10 only two to five years from the time of diagnosis; and
11 WHEREAS, The exact causes of ALS are unknown and there
12 is no known cure for ALS; and
13 WHEREAS, People who have served in the military are more
14 likely to develop ALS and die from the disease than those with no
15 history of military service; and
16 WHEREAS, Securing access to new therapies, durable medical
17 equipment, and communication technologies is of vital importance
18 to people living with ALS; and
19 WHEREAS, Clinical trials play a pivotal role in evaluating new
20 treatments, enhancing quality of life, and fostering assistive
21 technologies for those living with ALS; and

1 WHEREAS, Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Awareness Month
2 provides an opportunity to increase public awareness of the dire
3 circumstances of people living with ALS, acknowledge the terrible
4 impact this disease has on those individuals and their families, and
5 support research to eradicate this disease; now, therefore, be it
6 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the
7 Assembly hereby proclaims the month of May 2026 as
8 Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Awareness Month, and calls upon
9 all Americans to join in supporting ALS research, advocating for
10 increased funding, and standing in solidarity with those affected
11 by this relentless disease; and be it further
12 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly shall transmit
13 copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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Date of Hearing: May 4, 2026

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
HR 105 (Zbur) – As Introduced April 13, 2026

SUBJECT: Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Awareness Month.

SUMMARY: Proclaims the month of May 2026 as Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Awareness Month; and, calls upon all Americans to join in supporting ALS research, advocating for increased funding, and standing in solidarity with those affected by this relentless disease. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), also commonly known as Lou Gehrig’s disease, is a progressive fatal neurodegenerative disease in which a person’s brain loses connection with their muscles, slowly reducing a person’s ability to walk, talk, eat, and eventually breathe.
- 2) Thousands of new ALS cases are reported every year, and estimates show that every 90 minutes someone is diagnosed with ALS and someone passes away from ALS.
- 3) On average, patients diagnosed with ALS survive only two to five years from the time of diagnosis. The exact causes of ALS are unknown and there is no known cure for ALS.
- 4) People who have served in the military are more likely to develop ALS and die from the disease than those with no history of military service.
- 5) Securing access to new therapies, durable medical equipment, and communication technologies is of vital importance to people living with ALS. Clinical trials play a pivotal role in evaluating new treatments, enhancing quality of life, and fostering assistive technologies for those living with ALS.
- 6) Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Awareness Month provides an opportunity to increase public awareness of the dire circumstances of people living with ALS, acknowledge the terrible impact this disease has on those individuals and their families, and support research to eradicate this disease.

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. 107

**Introduced by Assembly Member Fong
(Principal coauthors: Assembly Members Bains, Caloza,
Harabedian, Kalra, Lee, Muratsuchi, Nguyen, and Patel)**

April 20, 2026

House Resolution No. 107—Relative to Asian and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month.

1 WHEREAS, One of the earliest records of Asian and Pacific
2 Islander Americans in the United States dates back to 1763 in New
3 Orleans, Louisiana, where Filipino sailors who worked the
4 Manila-Acapulco trade route settled; and

5 WHEREAS, Asian and Pacific Islander Americans have made
6 indelible contributions throughout the history of California and
7 the United States that include, but are not limited to, building the
8 Transcontinental Railroad, serving honorably in the United States
9 Armed Forces, fighting for the United States in foreign wars,
10 coorganizing the Delano Grape Strike, and advocating for civil
11 rights; and

12 WHEREAS, Asian and Pacific Islander Americans have endured
13 hardships, including unjust working conditions, prejudice, and
14 discrimination in some of the darkest times in our state’s and
15 nation’s history, including the Chinese Exclusion Act, naturalized
16 citizenship ineligibility, the Alien Land Law, antimiscegenation
17 laws, and Japanese internment; and

18 WHEREAS, Asian and Pacific Islander Americans continue to
19 cultivate, advance, and lead in the fields of art, fashion, business,
20 technology, education, science, government, law, humanities,
21 medicine, sports, and entertainment; and

1 WHEREAS, California is home to over 7,300,000 Asian and
2 Pacific Islander Americans, more than any other state, and Asian
3 and Pacific Islander Americans are one of the fastest growing
4 ethnic populations in the state and nation; and
5 WHEREAS, Asian and Pacific Islander Americans constitute
6 17 percent of California’s population and represent diverse
7 ancestries that include, but are not limited to, Asian Indian,
8 Bangladeshi, Bhutanese, Burmese, Cambodian, Chamorro,
9 Chinese, Taiwanese, Filipino, Hmong, Indonesian, Iu-Mien, Iwo
10 Jiman, Guamanian, Japanese, Korean, Laotian, Malaysian,
11 Maldivian, Mongolian, Nepalese, Native Hawaiian, Vietnamese,
12 Okinawan, Pakistani, Samoan, Singaporean, Sri Lankan, Thai,
13 Tongan, and other Asian and Pacific Islander groups; and
14 WHEREAS, California’s Asian and Pacific Islander American
15 entrepreneurs are innovative and lead many successful businesses
16 to the pinnacle of their respective industries nationally and globally,
17 and 22.4 percent of the nation’s Asian-owned businesses are in
18 California; and
19 WHEREAS, The California Commission on Asian and Pacific
20 Islander American Affairs was established by legislation enacted
21 in 2002, began operation in 2004, and is charged with advising
22 the Governor, the Legislature, and state agencies on issues relating
23 to the social and economic development, rights, and interests of
24 California’s Asian and Pacific Islander American communities;
25 and
26 WHEREAS, Federal law designates May as “Asian/Pacific
27 American Heritage Month” in Section 102 of Title 36 of the United
28 States Code; and
29 WHEREAS, Celebrating Asian and Pacific Islander Heritage
30 Month provides Californians with an opportunity to recognize the
31 achievements, contributions, and history of Asian and Pacific
32 Islander Americans; now, therefore, be it
33 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the
34 Assembly commends Asian and Pacific Islander Americans for
35 their notable accomplishments and contributions to California, and
36 recognizes May 2026 as Asian and Pacific Islander American
37 Heritage Month; and be it further

- 1 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
- 2 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution. .

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Date of Hearing: May 4, 2026

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
HR 107 (Fong) – As Introduced April 20, 2026

SUBJECT: Asian and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month.

SUMMARY: Recognizes May 2026 as Asian and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month, and commends Asian and Pacific Islander Americans for their notable accomplishments and contributions to California. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) One of the earliest records of Asian and Pacific Islander Americans in the United States dates back to 1763 in New Orleans, Louisiana, where Filipino sailors who worked the Manila-Acapulco trade route settled.
- 2) Asian and Pacific Islander Americans have made indelible contributions throughout the history of California and the United States that include, but are not limited to, building the Transcontinental Railroad, serving honorably in the United States Armed Forces, fighting for the United States in foreign wars, co-organizing the Delano Grape Strike, and advocating for civil rights.
- 3) Asian and Pacific Islander Americans have endured hardships, including unjust working conditions, prejudice, and discrimination in some of the darkest times in our state's and nation's history, including the Chinese Exclusion Act, naturalized citizenship ineligibility, the Alien Land Law, anti-miscegenation laws, and Japanese internment.
- 4) Asian and Pacific Islander Americans continue to cultivate, advance, and lead in the fields of art, fashion, business, technology, education, science, government, law, humanities, medicine, sports, and entertainment.
- 5) California is home to over 7.3 million Asian and Pacific Islander Americans, more than any other state, and Asian and Pacific Islander Americans are one of the fastest growing ethnic populations in the state and nation.
- 6) Asian and Pacific Islander Americans constitute 17 percent of California's population and represent diverse ancestries that include, but are not limited to, Asian Indian, Bangladeshi, Bhutanese, Burmese, Cambodian, Chamorro, Chinese, Taiwanese, Filipino, Hmong, Indonesian, Iu-Mien, Iwo Jiman, Guamanian, Japanese, Korean, Laotian, Malaysian, Maldivian, Mongolian, Nepalese, Native Hawaiian, Okinawan, Pakistani, Samoan, Singaporean, Sri Lankan, Thai, Tongan, Vietnamese, and other Asian and Pacific Islander groups.
- 7) Federal law designates May as "Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month" in Section 102 of Title 36 of the United States Code.
- 8) Celebrating Asian and Pacific Islander Heritage Month provides Californians with an opportunity to recognize the achievements, contributions, and history of Asian and Pacific Islander Americans.

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. 108

Introduced by Assembly Member Jeff Gonzalez

April 23, 2026

House Resolution No. 108—Relative to Kidney Month.

1 WHEREAS, Chronic kidney disease (CKD) is an
2 under-recognized public health crisis. It is the progressive, gradual
3 loss of kidney function that results in a decreased ability of the
4 kidneys to remove waste from the body; and

5 WHEREAS, CKD affects more than one in seven United States
6 adults, an estimated 35,500,000 people, and more than 4,400,000
7 adults in California are affected by CKD while nearly 4,000,000
8 adults remain unaware; and

9 WHEREAS, As many as 9 out of 10 people with CKD do not
10 know they have the disease because it usually has no symptoms
11 until the late stages; and

12 WHEREAS, African Americans, Hispanic Americans, and
13 Native Americans are at high risk for developing kidney failure
14 due to high rates of diabetes and high blood pressure in
15 marginalized communities; and

16 WHEREAS, Less than 13 percent of people with CKD risk
17 factors are tested appropriately; and

18 WHEREAS, More than 85,000 people have end-stage renal
19 disease in California, and thousands of Californians are waiting
20 for a lifesaving kidney transplant; and

21 WHEREAS, The five-year survival rate for a patient with
22 end-stage renal disease remains dismally low, with roughly 60
23 percent of patients dying within five years; and

1 WHEREAS, Regular screening for, and early detection of, CKD
2 allows opportunity for disease management that can slow the
3 progression of kidney disease and help prevent kidney failure; and
4 WHEREAS, The month of March is designated as National
5 Kidney Month, and March 12 is recognized as World Kidney Day
6 to raise awareness of kidney disease and the importance of
7 prevention and early detection; now, therefore, be it
8 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the
9 Assembly proclaims the month of March 2026 as Kidney Month
10 in California; and 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: May 4, 2026

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
HR 108 (Jeff Gonzalez) – As Introduced April 23, 2026

SUBJECT: Kidney Month.

SUMMARY: Proclaims the month of March 2026 as Kidney Month in California. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Chronic kidney disease (CKD) is an under-recognized public health crisis. It is the progressive, gradual loss of kidney function that results in a decreased ability of the kidneys to remove waste from the body.
- 2) CKD affects more than one in seven United States adults, an estimated 35.5 million people, and more than 4.4 million adults in California are affected by CKD while nearly 4 million adults remain unaware.
- 3) As many as 9 out of 10 people with CKD do not know they have the disease because it usually has no symptoms until the late stages.
- 4) African Americans, Hispanic Americans, and Native Americans are at high risk for developing kidney failure due to high rates of diabetes and high blood pressure in marginalized communities.
- 5) More than 85,000 people have end-stage renal disease in California, and thousands of Californians are waiting for a lifesaving kidney transplant. The five-year survival rate for a patient with end-stage renal disease remains dismally low, with roughly 60 percent of patients dying within five years.
- 6) Regular screening for, and early detection of, CKD allows opportunity for disease management that can slow the progression of kidney disease and help prevent kidney failure.
- 7) The month of March is designated as National Kidney Month, and March 12 is recognized as World Kidney Day to raise awareness of kidney disease and the importance of prevention and early detection.

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

Introduced by Senator Allen
(Coauthor: Assembly Member Ward)

April 9, 2026

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 158—Relative to Arts, Culture, and Creativity Month and the 50th Anniversary of the California Arts Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SCR 158, as introduced, Allen. Arts, Culture, and Creativity Month and the 50th Anniversary of the California Arts Council.

This measure would encourage all Californians to support the arts and would recognize April 2026 as a significant time to recognize, appreciate, and celebrate the arts, culture, and creativity of all Californians. This measure would also recognize the 50th anniversary of the California Arts Council, which supports local arts infrastructure and programming statewide through grants, programs, and services.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, Arts, Culture, and Creativity Month of April is the
- 2 eighth annual statewide celebration; and
- 3 WHEREAS, In 2019, the Legislature adopted Senate Concurrent
- 4 Resolution No. 33 proclaiming every April as Arts, Culture, and
- 5 Creativity Month; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Arts, culture, and creativity are essential drivers
- 7 of health, hope, and healing within California communities, with
- 8 critical impacts on economic development and innovation and the
- 9 social forces necessary to drive progress, build community, educate
- 10 youth, advance racial justice, and create jobs; and

1 WHEREAS, Exposure to the arts positively impacts health
2 through reducing stress hormones and depression, increasing
3 longevity and cognitive well-being, and fostering interpersonal
4 connection through regular engagement and attendance at cultural
5 events; and

6 WHEREAS, Youth access to arts education and creative
7 programming provides meaningful benefits to hope and
8 perspective, fosters a sense of community and personal fulfillment,
9 and inspires optimism and resilience in the face of challenges; and

10 WHEREAS, Engagement with creative outlets and activities
11 and with cultural experiences provides unique opportunities for
12 healing, offering therapeutic and restorative experiences that
13 enhance well-being, cultivate mental and physical health, and
14 support emotional recovery; and

15 WHEREAS, Retaining and supporting cultural diversity is
16 essential for healthy, equitable, and thriving communities, and
17 access to art is essential to individual health and community
18 well-being by providing access to joyful engagement with arts and
19 providing mental health benefits and improved well-being in each
20 aspect of life; and

21 WHEREAS, Art work is real work, and California employs the
22 highest number of people in creative industries — architecture,
23 entertainment, fashion, media, and publishing — more than any
24 other state in the nation; and

25 WHEREAS, California is now the fourth largest economy in
26 the world with a creative economy that, according to the recently
27 released Otis College Update on the Creative Economy from April
28 2026, directly accounts for 5 percent of all jobs within the state
29 and another 6 percent across the rest of the state’s economy; and

30 WHEREAS, State support for the arts, arts education, and
31 cultural bearers is crucial in order to achieve equitable access to
32 the arts throughout California, and it is imperative for all California
33 children and youth to have access to arts education and cultural
34 institutions in their schools; and

35 WHEREAS, In a state as diverse as California, the arts serve to
36 give a voice to many communities, spark individual creativity,
37 foster empathy and understanding, spur civic engagement, and
38 serve as a continual source of personal enrichment, inspiration;
39 and

1 WHEREAS, Since its inception in 1976, the California Arts
2 Council has championed the belief that the arts are a public good,
3 essential to the health, vitality, and economic prosperity of our
4 communities and our democracy; and

5 WHEREAS, For five decades, the California Arts Council has
6 served as a powerful catalyst for creativity, investing in thousands
7 of artists, culture bearers, and arts organizations in every corner
8 of the state. This is California For All in action. Artists are the
9 heartbeat of our neighborhoods: they provide the sacred spaces
10 where we gather to reflect, celebrate, and heal. By fostering artistic
11 expression in every form, the California Arts Council ensures that
12 the stories of all Californians — regardless of their background,
13 rehabilitative status, or Zip Code — are not just told, but preserved
14 and honored. The agency has led a legacy of signature programs
15 that have inspired the nation. Truly, as California goes, so goes
16 the country; and

17 WHEREAS, Here, in California, all artists are celebrated,
18 whether they're emerging, established, or legacy — their
19 experiences represent the best of us. Through the transformative
20 power of poetry, our California Poets Laureate have amplified the
21 beauty and the complexity of the Golden State. Now, the next
22 generation is taking center stage through Poetry Out Loud and our
23 state's first California Teen Poet Laureate, proving that California's
24 creative fire is only growing brighter; and

25 WHEREAS, We understand that true power is collaborative.
26 The California Arts Council established the State-Local Partners
27 program to ensure that every one of California's 58 counties
28 maintains a direct bridge to their state arts agency. This mosaic of
29 expression lives in our neighborhoods, our corridors, our barrios,
30 and our 24 Cultural Districts, which serve as the vibrant heart of
31 our community identities; and

32 WHEREAS, The arts are a tool for justice. From public health
33 to climate action, initiatives like the California Creative Corps
34 prove that creativity is a vital resource for solving our most
35 existential challenges. These investments have fueled a world-class
36 creative economy, supporting millions of jobs and ensuring
37 California remains a global titan of innovation; now, therefore, be
38 it

39 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
40 *thereof concurring,* That the Legislature encourages all Californians

1 to deepen support for arts in our schools and uplift and expand
2 opportunities in our creative workforce; and be it further
3 *Resolved*, That the Legislature recognizes April 2026 as a
4 significant time to recognize, appreciate, and celebrate the arts,
5 culture, and creativity of all Californians; and be it further
6 *Resolved*, In this milestone year for the California Arts Council,
7 we honor the visionaries who have shaped our cultural landscape
8 over the last 50 years. Their work drives the innovation that keeps
9 California at the forefront of the global stage. As we look toward
10 the future, we remain fiercely committed to the arts as a
11 fundamental pillar of our collective progress; and be it further
12 *Resolved*, That the 50th anniversary of the California Arts
13 Council is a moment to celebrate our past while doubling down
14 on our pledge to cultivate a state where creativity can flourish for
15 the next 50 years and beyond. By investing in our creative
16 workforce, we continue to build a California that is more inclusive,
17 more inspired, and more connected; and be it further
18 *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of
19 this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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Date of Hearing: May 4, 2026

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
SCR 158 (Allen) – As Introduced April 9, 2026

SENATE VOTE: 38-0

SUBJECT: Arts, Culture, and Creativity Month and the 50th Anniversary of the California Arts Council.

SUMMARY: Recognizes April 2026 as a significant time to recognize, appreciate, and celebrate the arts, culture, and creativity of all Californians; and, recognizes the 50th anniversary of the California Arts Council, which supports local arts infrastructure and programming statewide through grants, programs, and services. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Arts, Culture, and Creativity Month of April is the eighth annual statewide celebration. In 2019, the Legislature adopted Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 33 proclaiming every April as Arts, Culture, and Creativity Month.
- 2) Arts, culture, and creativity are essential drivers of health, hope, and healing within California communities, with critical impacts on economic development and innovation and the social forces necessary to drive progress, build community, educate youth, advance racial justice, and create jobs.
- 3) Exposure to the arts positively impacts health through reducing stress hormones and depression, increasing longevity and cognitive well-being, and fostering interpersonal connection through regular engagement and attendance at cultural events.
- 4) Youth access to arts education and creative programming provides meaningful benefits to hope and perspective, fosters a sense of community and personal fulfillment, and inspires optimism and resilience in the face of challenges.
- 5) Engagement with creative outlets and activities and with cultural experiences provides unique opportunities for healing, offering therapeutic and restorative experiences that enhance well-being, cultivate mental and physical health, and support emotional recovery.
- 6) Art work is real work, and California employs the highest number of people in creative industries — architecture, entertainment, fashion, media, and publishing — than any other state in the nation.
- 7) California is now the fourth largest economy in the world with a creative economy that, according to the recently released Otis College Update on the Creative Economy from April 2026, directly accounts for five percent of all jobs within the state and another six percent across the rest of the state's economy.
- 8) In a state as diverse as California, the arts serve to give a voice to many communities, spark individual creativity, foster empathy and understanding, spur civic engagement, and serve as a continual source of personal enrichment, and inspiration.

- 9) Since its inception in 1976, the California Arts Council has championed the belief that the arts are a public good, essential to the health, vitality, and economic prosperity of our communities and our democracy.
- 10) For five decades, the California Arts Council has served as a powerful catalyst for creativity, investing in thousands of artists, culture bearers, and arts organizations in every corner of the state. This is California For All in action. Artists are the heartbeat of our neighborhoods: they provide the sacred spaces where we gather to reflect, celebrate, and heal.
- 11) The California Arts Council established the State-Local Partners program to ensure that every one of California's 58 counties maintains a direct bridge to their state arts agency. This mosaic of expression lives in our neighborhoods, our corridors, our barrios, and our 24 Cultural Districts, which serve as the vibrant heart of our community identities.

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

Introduced by Senator Alvarado-Gil
(Principal coauthor: Senator Seyarto)
(Coauthors: Senators Dahle, Grove, and Ochoa Bogh)
(Coauthors: Assembly Members Alanis, Hoover, and Tangipa)

April 9, 2026

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 159—Relative to California Rodeo Appreciation Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SCR 159, as introduced, Alvarado-Gil. California Rodeo Appreciation Month.

This measure would designate the month of April as California Rodeo Appreciation Month.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, The word “rodeo” is derived from the Spanish verb
2 “rodear,” meaning to gather or surround; and

3 WHEREAS, Historically, rodeos were utilized as a cattle
4 business venue and were considered collections of cattle and
5 horses, ultimately enabling ranchers to select their cows, count
6 them, and, if desired, drive them to their pasture; and

7 WHEREAS, The demand for rodeos began with Wild West
8 shows, which romanticized the culture of the west, started as
9 massive spectacles with hundreds of performers, and attracted
10 millions of attendees with 116 shows being recorded between 1883
11 and 1944; and

12 WHEREAS, California rodeos date back to the late 1700s when
13 California was a province of New Spain; rodeos representative of
14 the present day were first reported in the late 19th century; and

1 WHEREAS, Sherwood Park, formally known as the Sausal Park
2 Race Track, was a 69.4 acre parcel graciously donated to the City
3 of Salinas by Eugene Sherwood and Richard Hellman of San
4 Francisco with the formal requirement of holding a fair and races
5 every two years; and

6 WHEREAS, On August 1, 1911, the first rodeo was held at the
7 racetrack grounds and was named by Frank Griffen as “The
8 California Rodeo”; and

9 WHEREAS, The California Professional Rodeo Cowboys
10 Association Pro Rodeo Circuit hosts 37 rodeos annually, the
11 Banning Stagecoach Days, the Brawley Cattle Call, the California
12 Rodeo Salinas, the Clovis Rodeo, the Desert Rodeo, the Folsom
13 Pro Rodeo, the Glennville Round-Up Rodeo, the Gold Country
14 Pro Rodeo, the Industry Hills Charity Pro Rodeo, the Jurupa Valley
15 Community Rodeo, the Kern County Fair Rodeo, the King City
16 Stampede, the Lakeside Rodeo, the Livermore Rodeo, the
17 Marysville Stampede, the Mother Lode Round-Up, the Norco
18 Mounted Posse Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association Rodeo,
19 the Oakdale Saddle Club Rodeo, the Old Santa Ynez Days Rodeo,
20 the Poway Rodeo, the Ramona Rodeo, the Red Bluff Round-Up,
21 the Redding Rodeo, the Riverdale Rodeo, the Riverside County
22 Pro Rodeo, the Rowell Ranch Rodeo, the San Bernardino County
23 Sheriff’s Rodeo, the Santa Barbara Rodeo Days, the Santa Maria
24 Elks Rodeo, the Springville Sierra Rodeo, the Stonyford Rodeo,
25 the Tehachapi Mountain Rodeo, the Valley Center Stampede, the
26 Ventura County Fair Rodeo, the Wine Country Rodeo, the Wing
27 and Barrel Western Days, and the Woodlake Lions Rodeo; and

28 WHEREAS, Senate District 4 is rich in California rodeo history,
29 hosting rodeos in the Counties of Amador, Calaveras, El Dorado,
30 Inyo, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Mono, Nevada, Placer,
31 Stanislaus, and Tuolumne; and

32 WHEREAS, Senate District 4 is home to the historic City of
33 Oakdale, known as the “Cowboy Capital of the World,” which
34 hosts the Oakdale Saddle Club Rodeo, attracting both local and
35 international audiences; and

36 WHEREAS, World renown California cowboy and 2025
37 California Rodeo Salinas Hall of Fame recipient Ace Berry spent
38 his childhood in the Cowboy Capital and was just 15 years and of
39 age when he qualified for his first National Finals Rodeo (NFR),
40 qualified for the NFR 6 times in bareback riding and 14 consecutive

1 times in team roping from 1962 to 1975, inclusive, and made rodeo
2 history in 1972 when he won NFR average titles at both ends of
3 the arena in his two trademark events the same year; and

4 WHEREAS, California rodeos are not only rich in history, but
5 rich in diversity, and while some may associate cowboy activities
6 with Hispanic, indigenous, and White culture presently, it is
7 imperative to acknowledge its pertinence to African American
8 culture as well; and

9 WHEREAS, After the Civil War, it was estimated that as many
10 as 1 in 4 cowboys was African American and Nat Love, one of
11 the most prominent in the sport, began his career in 1876 as a
12 legendary cattle driver; and

13 WHEREAS, California Rodeo Salinas Hall of Fame 2023
14 inductee Pat DuVal, known as the “Singing Sheriff,” overcame
15 limitations in the segregated south before moving to California in
16 1966 where he became the first African American sheriff in the
17 County of Monterey and is known for his musical performances
18 at the California Rodeo Salinas each year;

19 WHEREAS, It is crucial to also highlight the role women have
20 played in California rodeo history and in preserving its pivotal
21 traditions, and, by breaking barriers, women have proven to be
22 tough competition for what were considered more male-dominated
23 events; and

24 WHEREAS, 2025 Women’s Professional Rodeo Association
25 California Breakaway Rookie of the Year Jillian Murray has
26 reiterated the theme that rodeo events are for all, praising women
27 for what they bring to the table by stating, “I think that we feel
28 that we have something to prove, and we want to prove it”; and

29 WHEREAS, Modern rodeo competitions test critical cowboy
30 skills utilized on a ranch with timed and scored events, including
31 bareback riding, saddle bronc riding, bull riding, team roping,
32 barrel racing, tie-down roping or calf roping, breakaway roping,
33 mutton bustin’, and steer wrestling or bulldogging; and

34 WHEREAS, Rodeo clowns, or barrelmen, play an essential role,
35 ensuring rider safety, heroically luring the bull away to create a
36 barrier; and

37 WHEREAS, Rodeo queens are crowned throughout the Golden
38 State during their respective local, state, or national rodeo events,
39 and these pageants have multiple divisions for different age groups,
40 which include Junior Miss, Princess, and Queen; and

1 WHEREAS, Rodeo queens are talented and personable
2 equestrians serving as a liaison between the public and the
3 agricultural industry; and

4 WHEREAS, California rodeos drive the state’s economy upward
5 and serve as tourist attractions, generating jobs for Californians
6 with professional contestants, contract personnel, arena workers,
7 and concessionaires; and

8 WHEREAS, In 2014, the California Rodeo Salinas and Bull
9 Riding events generated \$6,200,000; and

10 WHEREAS, Rodeo is an integral part of California’s rural
11 mystique and preserves the culture of rural, western living, and,
12 at a deeper level, is manifested by several symbolic themes that
13 include the control of nature and lack thereof and the conquest of
14 the “Wild West” by an industrialist culture; and

15 WHEREAS, California’s rodeos not only serve as a reminder
16 of what life was, but what modern life wishes to be, representing
17 longstanding cultural practices that ground California’s agricultural
18 and western societies; now, therefore, be it

19 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
20 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature hereby designates the
21 month of April as California Rodeo Appreciation Month, signaling
22 the peak of the rodeo season, which begins in the spring and ends
23 in the fall; and be it further

24 *Resolved*, That the Legislature extends its warmest regards and
25 appreciation to the thousands of volunteers, directors, participants,
26 businesses, supporters, sponsors, and associations that maintain
27 and nurture the network of California rodeos, permitting these
28 events to remain vibrant, relevant, and successful; and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: May 4, 2026

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
SCR 159 (Alvarado-Gil) – As Introduced April 9, 2026

SENATE VOTE: 38-0

SUBJECT: California Rodeo Appreciation Month.

SUMMARY: Designates the month of April as California Rodeo Appreciation Month, signaling the peak of the rodeo season, which begins in the spring and ends in the fall. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) The word “rodeo” is derived from the Spanish verb “rodear,” meaning to gather or surround. Historically, rodeos were utilized as a cattle business venue and were considered collections of cattle and horses, ultimately enabling ranchers to select their cows, count them, and, if desired, drive them to their pasture.
- 2) California rodeos date back to the late 1700s when California was a province of New Spain; rodeos representative of the present day were first reported in the late 19th century.
- 3) Sherwood Park, formally known as the Sausal Park Race Track, was a 69.4 acre parcel graciously donated to the City of Salinas by Eugene Sherwood and Richard Hellman of San Francisco with the formal requirement of holding a fair and races every two years. On August 1, 1911, the first rodeo was held at the racetrack grounds and was named by Frank Griffen as “The California Rodeo.”
- 4) California rodeos are not only rich in history, but rich in diversity, and while some may associate cowboy activities with Hispanic, indigenous, and White culture presently, it is imperative to acknowledge its pertinence to African American culture as well.
- 5) It is crucial to also highlight the role women have played in California rodeo history and in preserving its pivotal traditions, and, by breaking barriers, women have proven to be tough competition for what were considered more male-dominated events.
- 6) Modern rodeo competitions test critical cowboy skills utilized on a ranch with timed and scored events, including bareback riding, saddle bronc riding, bull riding, team roping, barrel racing, tie-down roping or calf roping, breakaway roping, mutton bustin’, and steer wrestling or bulldogging.
- 7) California rodeos drive the state’s economy upward and serve as tourist attractions, generating jobs for Californians with professional contestants, contract personnel, arena workers, and concessionaires.
- 8) Rodeo is an integral part of California’s rural mystique and preserves the culture of rural, western living, and, at a deeper level, is manifested by several symbolic themes that include the control of nature and lack thereof and the conquest of the “Wild West” by an industrialist culture.

- 9) California's rodeos not only serve as a reminder of what life was, but what modern life wishes to be, representing longstanding cultural practices that ground California's agricultural and western societies.

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

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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April 30, 2026

The Honorable Blanco Pacheco, Chair
Assembly Rules Committee
1021 O Street
Sacramento CA, 95814

Dear Chair Pacheco,

I am writing to respectfully request permission for an urgency clause to be added to AB 1664. This bill would require local agencies and elections officials to notify the Secretary of State and the Attorney General within one business day of becoming aware of any warrant, subpoena, or active law enforcement investigation pertaining to election records or voting systems.

Given the elections scheduled for later this year, an urgency clause is essential to ensure that the provisions of this bill are in effect and enforceable during the primary and general elections, thereby safeguarding the integrity and trustworthiness of the electoral process statewide.

Sincerely,

Dr. Corey A. Jackson
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April 29, 2026

The Honorable Blanca Pacheco
Chair, Assembly Rules Committee
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RE: AB 2341 Urgency Request

Dear Assemblymember Pacheco:

I respectfully request authorization to add an urgency clause to AB 2341. The bill simply clarifies the statute on a bill I authored in 2023, AB 1638 (Fong), Chapter 587, Statutes of 2023, which requires local agencies to provide translation in certain languages other than English during emergency situations. Local agencies have reported confusion on how to determine the languages required to be translated. This bill provides a formula to help with that determination. The urgency clause is needed to help local agencies properly implement the law as soon as possible. Please contact my Chief of Staff, Sophia Kwong Kim, at 319-2049 or sophia.kwong@asm.ca.gov should you have any questions regarding this request. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "MF", is placed above the typed name.

Mike Fong
49th Assembly District