

Assembly California Legislature Committee on Rules

BLANCA PACHECO CHAIR

Monday, February 3, 2025 10 minutes prior to Session State Capitol, Room 126

CONSENT AGENDA

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Memo

То:	Rules Committee Members
From:	Michael Erke, Bill Referral Consultant
Date:	1/31/2025
Re:	Consent Bill Referrals

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

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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2025–26 REGULAR SESSION

Introduced by Assembly Member Macedo

January 23, 2025

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 20—Relative to Wear Red Day and American Heart Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 20, as introduced, Macedo. Wear Red Day and American Heart Month.

This measure would recognize February 7, 2025, as Wear Red Day and the month of February 2025 as American Heart Month.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, Cardiovascular disease is the leading cause of death

2 in women and claims more lives than all forms of cancer combined,

3 yet only 44 percent of women recognize that cardiovascular disease

4 is their leading cause of death; and

5 WHEREAS, Among women 20 years of age and older, nearly

6 45 percent are living with some form of cardiovascular disease7 and less than one-half of women entering pregnancy in the United

8 States have optimal cardiovascular health; and

9 WHEREAS, Cardiovascular disease is the leading cause of 10 maternal death in the United States, or, more simply put, heart

disease is the number one killer of new moms, and overall, 10 to

12 20 percent of women will have a health issue during pregnancy,

such as high blood pressure, preeclampsia, and gestational diabetes

14 which greatly increase a woman's risk of developing cardiovascular

15 disease later in life; and

1 WHEREAS, In 2020, stroke caused the deaths of 90,627 women,

2 approximately 56.5 percent of total stroke deaths; and

3 WHEREAS, Women with ischemic stroke are less likely to be

4 transported to the hospital by emergency medical services and to5 receive prompt imaging and blood thinners, and are more likely

6 to die within 30 days of stroke hospitalization; and

7 WHEREAS, Each year, more than 350,000 people in the United

8 States experience cardiac arrest outside of a hospital, about 70 9 percent of cardiac arrests happen at home, and only about 1 in 10 10 people survive; and

11 WHEREAS, Each year, more than 23,000 children under 18 12 years of age in the United States experience cardiac arrest outside 13 of a hospital and almost 40 percent of these cardiac arrests are 14 sports related; and

WHEREAS, Cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), especially if performed immediately, can double or triple a person's chance of survival and only about 46 percent of people who experience cardiac arrest receive CPR from a bystander while waiting for emergency responders to arrive; and

20 WHEREAS, Women are often less likely to receive CPR from
21 a bystander because rescuers often fear accusations of inappropriate
22 touching; and

WHEREAS, Knowing how to properly perform CPR has encouraged more people to act when faced with a cardiac emergency. To save more lives from cardiac arrest outside of a hospital, we must increase the number of people who respond to cardiac arrest by calling 911, delivering high-quality CPR, and using an automated external defibrillator as soon as it is available; and

WHEREAS, Since 2004, the American Heart Association's Go Red for Women® movement has addressed the awareness and clinical care gaps of women's greatest health threat, cardiovascular disease, and continues to make bold moves to save lives and pioneer scientific discoveries; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate thereof concurring, That the Legislature recognizes February 7, 2025, as Wear Red Day in California, and urges all citizens to show their support for women and the fight against heart disease by commemorating this day by wearing the color red. By increasing awareness, speaking up about heart disease, and empowering

women to reduce their risk for cardiovascular disease, we can save 1 2

thousands of lives each year; and be it further *Resolved*, That the Legislature recognizes the month of February 3

2025 as American Heart Month in California to raise awareness 4

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of the importance of the ongoing fight against heart disease and stroke, and the effort to double the survival rate from cardiac arrest; 6

7 and be it further

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies 8

of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution. 9

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Date of Hearing: February 3, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES Blanca Pacheco, Chair ACR 20 (Macedo) – As Introduced January 23, 2025

SUBJECT: Wear Red Day and American Heart Month.

SUMMARY: Recognizes February 7, 2025, as Wear Red Day in California and recognizes February 2025 as American Heart Month in California to raise awareness of the importance of the ongoing fight against heart disease and stroke. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Cardiovascular disease is the leading cause of death in women and claims more lives than all forms of cancer combined, yet only 44 percent of women recognize that cardiovascular disease is their leading cause of death.
- 2) Cardiovascular disease is the leading cause of maternal death in the United States. Overall, 10 to 20 percent of women will have a health issue during pregnancy, such as high blood pressure, preeclampsia, and gestational diabetes which greatly increase a woman's risk of developing cardiovascular disease later in life.
- 3) Each year, more than 350,000 people in the United States experience cardiac arrest outside of a hospital, about 70 percent of cardiac arrests happen at home, and only about 1 in 10 people survive.
- 4) Cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), especially if performed immediately, can double or triple a person's chance of survival and only about 46 percent of people who experience cardiac arrest receive CPR from a bystander while waiting for emergency responders to arrive. Women are often less likely to receive CPR from a bystander because rescuers often fear accusations of inappropriate touching.
- 5) Knowing how to properly perform CPR has encouraged more people to act when faced with a cardiac emergency. To save more lives from cardiac arrest outside of a hospital, we must increase the number of people who respond to cardiac arrest by calling 911, delivering high-quality CPR, and using an automated external defibrillator as soon as it is available.
- 6) Since 2004, the American Heart Association's Go Red for Women movement has addressed the awareness and clinical care gaps of women's greatest health threat, cardiovascular disease, and continues to make bold moves to save lives and pioneer scientific discoveries.
- 7) Californians are urged to show their support for women and the fight against heart disease by commemorating this day by wearing the color red. By increasing awareness, speaking up about heart disease, and empowering women to reduce their risk for cardiovascular disease, we can save thousands of lives each year.

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

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REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2025–26 REGULAR SESSION

Introduced by Assembly Member Muratsuchi

January 24, 2025

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 22—Relative to National School Counseling Week.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 22, as introduced, Muratsuchi. National School Counseling Week.

This measure would recognize February 3, 2025, to February 7, 2025, as National School Counseling Week.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, California school counselors are employed in public 2 and private schools to help pupils reach their full potential; and

3 WHEREAS, All children and youth can learn with the 4 appropriate supports, and have the absolute right to an education 5 that meets their needs: and

6 WHEREAS, Children's mental health and resilience are 7 interconnected with their learning and postsecondary success; and

8 WHEREAS, School counselors provide services and coordinate

9 programs to improve school climate and increase pupils' feelings10 of connectedness within the school setting; and

11 WHEREAS, School counselors deliver a range of services to

12 reduce mental health stigma, identify risk factors and warning

signs of pupils at risk for mental health and behavioral disorders,and provide counseling services to strengthen pupils' prospects

15 for school and life success; and

1 WHEREAS, School counselors address trauma caused by racial

2 injustice and are positioned in school settings to promote equity,3 healing, and support for all pupils; and

4 WHEREAS, School counselors provide high-quality career 5 education programs from kindergarten through grade 12 that 6 promote the link between learning and future career choices, 7 including career technical education; and

8 WHEREAS, School counselors counsel secondary pupils to 9 satisfy the A-G curricular requirements for college admissions 10 and encourage participation in college preparation programs, including, but not limited to, Advancement Via Individual 11 Determination (AVID), Early College, Advanced Placement, and 12 13 International Baccalaureate programs, by increasing pupils' awareness of potential careers associated with interests and talents 14 15 so they may become productive members of society; and

WHEREAS, California school counselors support and consult
with parents, teachers, and other educators to help youth explore
their potential and set realistic goals for themselves; and

19 WHEREAS, The citizens of California should recognize the

20 vital role that the over 13,000 school counselors play in the social,

emotional, career, and academic development of our children;now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate
 thereof concurring, That the Legislature recognizes February 3,

25 2025, to February 7, 2025, as National School Counseling Week;

and be it 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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ACR 22 Page 1

Date of Hearing: February 3, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES Blanca Pacheco, Chair ACR 22 (Muratsuchi) – As Introduced January 24, 2025

SUBJECT: National School Counseling Week.

SUMMARY: Recognizes February 3, 2025, to February 7, 2025, as National School Counseling Week. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) School counselors provide services and coordinate programs to improve school climate and increase pupils' feelings of connectedness within the school setting.
- 2) All children and youth can learn with the appropriate supports, and have the absolute right to an education that meets their needs. Children's mental health and resilience are interconnected with their learning and postsecondary success.
- 3) School counselors deliver a range of services to reduce mental health stigma, identify risk factors and warning signs of pupils at risk for mental health and behavioral disorders, and provide counseling services to strengthen pupils' prospects for school and life success.
- 4) School counselors address trauma caused by racial injustice and are positioned in school settings to promote equity, healing, and support for all pupils.
- 5) School counselors provide high-quality career education programs from kindergarten through grade 12 that promote the link between learning and future career choices, including career technical education.
- 6) California school counselors support and consult with parents, teachers, and other educators to help youth explore their potential and set realistic goals for themselves.
- 7) The citizens of California should recognize the vital role that the over 13,000 school counselors play in the social, emotional, career, and academic development of our children.

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

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2025–26 REGULAR SESSION

Introduced by Assembly Member Bennett

January 23, 2025

House Resolution No. 10—Relative to World Wetlands Day.

1 WHEREAS, The United Nations General Assembly adopted 2 Resolution 75/317 in August 2021, proclaiming February 2 as

3 World Wetlands Day; and

4 WHEREAS, Wetlands are essential to achieving the United 5 Nations' Sustainable Development Goals, which are related to poverty eradication, food and nutrition, healthy living, gender 6 7 equality, water quality and availability, energy supply, the 8 reduction of natural disasters, innovation and the development of 9 appropriate infrastructure, sustainable and resilient human 10 settlements, the mitigation of and adaptation to climate change, ocean, sea, and marine resources, biodiversity, and the sustainable 11 12 use of ecosystems; and 13 WHEREAS, Wetlands are critical to people and nature, given 14 the intrinsic value of these ecosystems and their benefits and

14 the intrinsic value of these ecosystems and their benefits and 15 services, including their environmental, climate, ecological, social, 16 economic, scientific, educational, cultural, recreational, and 17 aesthetic contributions to sustainable development and human

18 wellbeing; and

WHEREAS, Wetlands comprise 3 percent of the earth's surfaceyet store 30 percent of all land based carbon; and

21 WHEREAS, To meet the climate goals of the Paris Agreement,

22 from the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate

23 Change, of preventing average global temperatures from rising

24 more than 2° C (3.6°F) above preindustrial levels and pursuing

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1 efforts to keep warming below 1.5°C (2.7°F), we must prevent

further conversion and drainage of intact wetlands, and restore 50 2

percent of all lost wetlands before 2030; and 3

4 WHEREAS, As of July 2021, 171 states became contracting 5

parties to the Ramsar Convention on Wetlands of International Importance Especially as Waterfowl Habitat, an international 6

7 treaty; and

8 WHEREAS, The Secretariat of the Ramsar Convention on 9 Wetlands provides outreach materials to help raise public

awareness of the importance and value of wetlands each year on 10

February 2, the anniversary of the date of the adoption of the 11

12 convention in 1971; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, That the 13

Assembly hereby recognizes February 2, 2025, as World Wetlands 14 Day; and be it further

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Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies 16

17 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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HR 10 Page 1

Date of Hearing: February 3, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES Blanca Pacheco, Chair HR 10 (Bennett) – As Introduced January 23, 2025

SUBJECT: World Wetlands Day.

SUMMARY: Recognizes February 2, 2025, as World Wetlands Day. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Wetlands are critical to people and nature, given the intrinsic value of these ecosystems and their benefits and services, including their environmental, climate, ecological, social, economic, scientific, educational, cultural, recreational, and aesthetic contributions to sustainable development and human wellbeing.
- 2) Wetlands comprise 3 percent of the earth's surface yet store 30 percent of all land-based carbon.
- 3) The United Nations General Assembly adopted Resolution 75/317 in August 2021, proclaiming February 2 as World Wetlands Day.
- 4) Wetlands are essential to achieving the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals, which are related to poverty eradication, food and nutrition, healthy living, gender equality, water quality and availability, energy supply, the reduction of natural disasters, innovation and the development of appropriate infrastructure, sustainable and resilient human settlements, the mitigation of and adaptation to climate change, ocean, sea, and marine resources, biodiversity, and the sustainable use of ecosystems.
- 5) To meet the climate goals of the Paris Agreement, from the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, of preventing average global temperatures from rising more than 2°C (3.6°F) above preindustrial levels and pursuing efforts to keep warming below 1.5°C (2.7°F), we must prevent further conversion and drainage of intact wetlands, and restore 50 percent of all lost wetlands before 2030.
- 6) As of July 2021, 171 states became contracting parties to the Ramsar Convention on Wetlands of International Importance Especially as Waterfowl Habitat, an international treaty.
- 7) The Secretariat of the Ramsar Convention on Wetlands provides outreach materials to help raise public awareness of the importance and value of wetlands each year on February 2, the anniversary of the date of the adoption of the convention in 1971.

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

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

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Opposition

None on file

Introduced by Senator Choi

December 17, 2024

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 6-Relative to Korean American Day.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 6, as introduced, Choi. Korean American Day.

This measure would proclaim January 13, 2025, as Korean American Day.

Fiscal committee: no.

WHEREAS, On January 13, 1903, the history of Korean 1

immigration to America began when 102 courageous Korean adults 2 3

and children landed in the State of Hawaii after venturing across

the vast Pacific Ocean aboard the S.S. Gaelic; and 4

5 WHEREAS, The hopes of these Korean immigrants for America,

the land of opportunity, were quickly hindered by social, economic, 6

7 and language barriers of unforeseen magnitude; and

8 WHEREAS, These Korean immigrants did not falter in their

pursuit of the American dream. Through perseverance and sacrifice, 9

they established a new home in a new land and educated their 10 children; and 11

12 WHEREAS, Between 1904 and 1907, approximately 1,000

Korean Americans entered the United States mainland from the 13

State of Hawaii through the city of San Francisco, where the first 14

Korean American political organizations and Korean language 15 publications were established; and 16

17 WHEREAS, While the city of San Francisco remained the center

18 of the Korean American community, there was a gradual migration

1 from northern California to southern California as more

2 employment opportunities opened up, and a new, burgeoning3 community of Korean Americans began to thrive in Los Angeles

4 and surrounding areas; and

5 WHEREAS, The city of Los Angeles is currently home to the 6 largest population of Korean Americans in the entire United States,

7 with more than 250,000 Korean Americans; and

8 WHEREAS, Korean Americans are the largest and the fastest 9 growing citizens of Orange County, making Orange County the 10 second largest Korean population in any county in the nation; and

11 WHEREAS, While the first Korean immigrants to the United 12 States fought and sacrificed to establish themselves, their children 13 grew up to be patriotic citizens, many of whom went on to serve 14 in the Armed Forces of the United States during World War II and 15 to make other important contributions to mainstream American 16 society; and

17 WHEREAS, The 1965 amendments to the federal Immigration

18 and Nationality Act (Public Law 89-236) opened the door for a

new wave of Korean immigrants to enter the United States. Sinceits enactment, Korean Americans have become one of the fastest

21 growing groups of Asian Americans in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Today, the number of people of Korean ancestry living in the United States has grown to more than 2,000,000, representing more than a 79-fold increase since 1960; and

WHEREAS, In 1994, the National Association of Korean Americans (NAKA), was founded in the state of New York, becoming the first national civil and human rights organization of Korean Americans; and

29 WHEREAS, On June 27, 2002, the NAKA was instrumental in

the passing of historic resolution S.R. 185 by the United StatesSenate, recognizing the 100th anniversary of Korean immigration

32 to the United States; and

33 WHEREAS, In accordance with S.R. 185, President George W.

34 Bush included a proclamation recognizing January 13, 2003, as

35 the Centennial of Korean Immigration to the United States,

36 commending Korean Americans for their "important role in

building, defending, and sustaining the United States of America";and

WHEREAS, Korean American Day is celebrated on January13 of each year, to not only commemorate the arrival of the first

1 Korean immigrants to the United States but also to honor the

2 Korean Americans' immense contributions to every aspect of3 society; and

4 WHEREAS, Korean Americans have made important 5 contributions as Californians in the fields of finance, technology, 6 law, medicine, education, sports, media, the arts, the military, and 7 government, as well as other areas; and

8 WHEREAS, Korean Americans have been at the forefront of 9 Hallyu (Korean Wave) through K-pop, K-drama, and K-foods, 10 that have become an integral part of mainstream American society 11 and enriched our very diverse State of California; and

12 WHEREAS, With diligence, fortitude, and an enduring belief 13 in the American dream, Korean immigrants have helped to turn 14 emergent areas within the State of California into thriving and 15 respectable communities, while raising their children; and

16 WHEREAS, As the Korean American community prepares for 17 a new era and creates new history, Korean Americans must instill

18 in younger generations the proper appreciation for the courage and

19 values of their forefathers, a deep sense of their roots, and pride

20 in their own cultural heritage so that they may better contribute to

the great State of California, which is rich with ethnic and culturaldiversity; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly
 thereof concurring, That the Legislature hereby proclaims January

25 13, 2025, as Korean American Day; and be it further

26 *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of 27 this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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SCR 6 Page 1

Date of Hearing: February 3, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES Blanca Pacheco, Chair SCR 6 (Choi) – As Introduced December 17, 2024

SENATE VOTE: 32-0

SUBJECT: Korean American Day.

SUMMARY: Proclaims January 13, 2025, as Korean American Day. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) On January 13, 1903, 102 courageous Korean immigrants arrived in the United States, initiating the first chapter of Korean immigration to America.
- 2) While the first Korean immigrants to the United States fought and sacrificed to establish themselves, their children grew up to be patriotic citizens, served in the Armed Forces of the United States during World War II, and made other important contributions to mainstream American society.
- 3) With diligence, fortitude, and an enduring belief in the American dream, Korean immigrants have helped to turn emergent areas within the state into thriving and respectable communities, while raising their children.
- 4) Korean Americans have made important contributions as Californians in the fields of finance, technology, law, medicine, education, sports, media, the arts, the military, and government, as well as other areas.
- 5) The City of Los Angeles is currently home to the largest population of Korean Americans in the entire United States, with more than 250,000 Korean Americans.
- 6) Korean Americans are the largest and the fastest growing citizens of Orange County, making Orange County the second largest Korean American population in any county in the nation.
- 7) Today, the number of people of Korean ancestry living in the United States has grown to more than 2 million, representing more than a 79-fold increase since 1960.
- 8) As the Korean American community prepares for a new era and creates new history, Korean Americans must instill in younger generations the proper appreciation for the courage and values of their forefathers, a deep sense of their roots, and pride in their own cultural heritage so that they may better contribute to the great State of California.

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

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

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Opposition

None on file

Introduced by Senator Grove

January 9, 2025

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 10—Relative to National Human Trafficking Awareness Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 10, as introduced, Grove. National Human Trafficking Awareness Month.

This measure would recognize the month of January 2025 as National Human Trafficking Awareness Month.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, For more than two centuries, the United States has 2 worked to advance the cause of freedom, serving as a beacon of

3 hope for those who cherish liberty and opportunity and leading

the fight for the dignity and inalienable rights of every person; and
 WHEREAS, Classified as a felony, human trafficking is a form

6 of modern slavery. It is a crime that involves the use of force.

7 fraud, or coercion to recruit, harbor, transport, provide, or obtain

8 a person for the purpose of labor or sexual exploitation. As one of

9 the most underreported crimes, it is extremely difficult to conduct

10 accurate surveys on human trafficking; and

11 WHEREAS, In 2015, the United States Advisory Council on

12 Human Trafficking was established by Congress. The council sits

13 as the world's preeminent human trafficking advisory body led by14 survivors of human trafficking and advises federal policymakers

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15 on antitrafficking policies; and

16 WHEREAS, In 2021, the International Labour Organization 17 (ILO) estimated that there were 49,600,000 victims of human

1 trafficking globally, of which 27,600,000 were in forced labor and

2 22,000,000 in forced marriage; and

3 WHEREAS, According to the ILO, of the total number of global

4 human trafficking victims, 4,900,000 are women and girls in forced5 commercial sexual exploitation; and

6 WHEREAS, According to the United States Department of 7 State's (DOS) 2022 Trafficking in Persons Report, human 8 trafficking cases have been reported in all 50 states, the District 9 of Columbia, and United States territories. The United States is 10 among the top three countries of origin of human trafficking 11 victims; and

WHEREAS, According to the DOS report, racial and ethnic
minority groups, the 2SLGBTQIA+ community, and indigenous
populations are extremely vulnerable to exploitation due to social,

15 legal, and cultural marginalization; and

16 WHEREAS, Studies show that Native American women and 17 girls are victims of human trafficking at a much higher rate 18 compared to the overall population; and

19 WHEREAS, Sex traffickers and exploiters are known to target
20 foster youth because of their unique vulnerabilities and
21 accessibility; and

WHEREAS, In a two-year study of human trafficking incidents
across the country, the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation
found that 40% of sex trafficking victims are identified as Black

25 women: and

WHEREAS, According to a 2024 report from the United States Department of Homeland Security Office of Inspector General, approximately 300,000 unaccompanied migrant children are unaccounted for when transferred from the United States Department of Health and Human Services. Unaccompanied children who do not appear for court are considered at higher risk for trafficking, exploitation, or forced labor; and

33 WHEREAS, In 2023, the National Human Trafficking Hotline

34 stated that there were 1,128 cases of human trafficking documented

35 in California, and, in 2023 alone, federal courts found these cases

36 involved 2,045 victims; and

37 WHEREAS, In 2023, the Human Trafficking Institute reported

38 that 50 percent of foreign national victims were trafficked into the

39 United States; and

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1 WHEREAS, Recent research supported by the National Institute

of Justice reveals that labor and sex trafficking data appearing in
the Federal Bureau of Investigation's national Uniform Crime
Reporting Program may significantly understate the extent of

4 Reporting Program may significantly understate the extent of 5 human trafficking crimes in the United States; and

6 WHEREAS, The Legislature recognizes the continuously
7 growing crime of human trafficking within California due to its
8 ever-increasing population, extensive international border, large

9 immigrant population, and primary airports and harbors; and

WHEREAS, The State of California is committed to combating
all forms of human trafficking, recovering victims, prosecuting
offenders, advocating on behalf of victims, raising community
awareness, and strengthening collaborative partnerships; and

WHEREAS, National Human Trafficking Prevention Month
 culminates in the annual observation of National Freedom Day on
 February 1; and

WHEREAS, Founded on the principles of justice and fairness, 17 18 the United States continues to lead the global movement to end modern slavery, with agencies and skilled professionals at the 19 local, state, and national levels conducting investigations, 20 collaborations, and trainings, organizing public outreach and 21 22 promoting awareness, and directly assisting the victims of human 23 trafficking; now, therefore, be it 24 Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly

thereof concurring, That the Legislature recognizes the month of January 2025 as National Human Trafficking Awareness Month;

and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: February 3, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES Blanca Pacheco, Chair SCR 10 (Grove) – As Introduced January 9, 2025

SENATE VOTE: 36-0

SUBJECT: National Human Trafficking Awareness Month.

SUMMARY: Recognizes the month of January 2025 as National Human Trafficking Awareness Month. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) For more than two centuries, the United States has worked to advance the cause of freedom, serving as a beacon of hope for those who cherish liberty and opportunity and leading the fight for the dignity and inalienable rights of every person.
- 2) Classified as a felony, human trafficking is a form of modern slavery. It is a crime that involves the use of force, fraud, or coercion to recruit, harbor, transport, provide, or obtain a person for the purpose of labor or sexual exploitation. As one of the most underreported crimes, it is extremely difficult to conduct accurate surveys on human trafficking.
- 3) In 2015, the United States Advisory Council on Human Trafficking was established by Congress. The council sits as the world's preeminent human trafficking advisory body led by survivors of human trafficking and advises federal policymakers on antitrafficking policies.
- 4) According to the United States Department of State's (DOS) 2022 Trafficking in Persons Report, human trafficking cases have been reported in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and United States territories. The United States is among the top three countries of origin of human trafficking victims.
- 5) According to the DOS report, racial and ethnic minority groups, the 2SLGBTQIA+ community, and indigenous populations are extremely vulnerable to exploitation due to social, legal, and cultural marginalization. Studies show that Native American women and girls are victims of human trafficking at a much higher rate compared to the overall population.
- 6) According to a 2024 report from the United States Department of Homeland Security Office of Inspector General, approximately 300,000 unaccompanied migrant children are unaccounted for when transferred from the United States Department of Health and Human Services. Unaccompanied children who do not appear for court are considered at higher risk for trafficking, exploitation, or forced labor.
- 7) In 2023, the National Human Trafficking Hotline stated that there were 1,128 cases of human trafficking documented in California. And, in 2023 alone, federal courts found these cases involved 2,045 victims.

8) The State of California is committed to combating all forms of human trafficking, recovering victims, prosecuting offenders, advocating on behalf of victims, raising community awareness, and strengthening collaborative partnerships.

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

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file