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Monday, March 17, 2025
10 minutes prior to Session
State Capitol, Room 126

CONSENT AGENDA

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Memo

To: Rules Committee Members
From: Michael Erke, Bill Referral Consultant
Date: 3/14/2025
Re: Consent Bill Referrals

Since you received your preliminary list of bill referrals, the referral recommendation for AB 455, AB 793, and AB 1285 has changed.

The following measures have been added to the referral list: AB 2, AB 54, AB 87, AB 235, AB 260, AB 286, AB 356, AB 470, AB 622, AB 668, AB 749, AB 787, AB 789, AB 798, AB 808, AB 844, AB 896, AB 956, AB 1000, AB 1025, AB 1056, AB 1097, AB 1100, AB 1135, AB 1146, AB 1164, AB 1180, AB 1196, AB 1207, AB 1236, AB 1246, AB 1294, AB 1387, AB 1411, and AB 1430.

AB 1460 has been removed from the referral list.

REFERRAL OF BILLS TO COMMITTEE

03/17/2025

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

<u>Assembly Bill No.</u>	<u>Committee:</u>
<u>AB 2</u>	P. & C.P.
<u>AB 2</u>	JUD.
<u>AB 54</u>	HEALTH
<u>AB 54</u>	JUD.
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<u>AB 305</u>	NAT. RES.
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<u>AB 356</u>	HEALTH
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<u>AB 426</u>	E.M.
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<u>AB 455</u>	JUD.
<u>AB 455</u>	E.S. & T.M.
<u>AB 470</u>	C. & C.
<u>AB 489</u>	B. & P.
<u>AB 489</u>	P. & C.P.
<u>AB 520</u>	H. & C.D.
<u>AB 520</u>	HUM. S.
<u>AB 555</u>	NAT. RES.
<u>AB 619</u>	NAT. RES.
<u>AB 619</u>	PUB. S.
<u>AB 622</u>	PUB. S.
<u>AB 651</u>	PUB. S.
<u>AB 651</u>	JUD.
<u>AB 654</u>	H. & C.D.
<u>AB 654</u>	C. & C.
<u>AB 655</u>	E.D., G., & H.I.
<u>AB 668</u>	G.O.
<u>AB 675</u>	AGRI.
<u>AB 697</u>	W., P., & W.
<u>AB 739</u>	H. & C.D.
<u>AB 739</u>	B. & P.
<u>AB 749</u>	A., E., S., & T.
<u>AB 749</u>	ED.
<u>AB 753</u>	HUM. S.
<u>AB 753</u>	ED.
<u>AB 760</u>	H. & C.D.
<u>AB 768</u>	H. & C.D.

<u>AB 768</u>	JUD.
<u>AB 771</u>	B. & F.
<u>AB 780</u>	JUD.
<u>AB 786</u>	B. & F.
<u>AB 787</u>	HEALTH
<u>AB 789</u>	HEALTH
<u>AB 793</u>	JUD.
<u>AB 798</u>	HUM. S.
<u>AB 806</u>	H. & C.D.
<u>AB 806</u>	JUD.
<u>AB 808</u>	ELECTIONS
<u>AB 832</u>	U. & E.
<u>AB 832</u>	ED.
<u>AB 844</u>	A., E., S., & T.
<u>AB 844</u>	ED.
<u>AB 844</u>	HIGHER ED.
<u>AB 896</u>	HUM. S.
<u>AB 902</u>	TRANS.
<u>AB 902</u>	L. GOV.
<u>AB 932</u>	A., E., S., & T.
<u>AB 932</u>	JUD.
<u>AB 956</u>	H. & C.D.
<u>AB 956</u>	L. GOV.
<u>AB 970</u>	HUM. S.
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<u>AB 972</u>	HIGHER ED.
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<u>AB 977</u>	HIGHER ED.
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<u>AB 1135</u>	ED.
<u>AB 1146</u>	W., P., & W.
<u>AB 1164</u>	ELECTIONS
<u>AB 1180</u>	C. & C.
<u>AB 1192</u>	HUM. S.
<u>AB 1192</u>	PUB. S.
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<u>AB 1207</u>	NAT. RES.
<u>AB 1233</u>	P.E. & R.

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<u>AB 1246</u>	G.O.
<u>AB 1247</u>	P.E. & R.
<u>AB 1247</u>	HIGHER ED.
<u>AB 1250</u>	TRANS.
<u>AB 1285</u>	E.M.
<u>AB 1292</u>	ED.
<u>AB 1294</u>	H. & C.D.
<u>AB 1294</u>	L. GOV.
<u>AB 1327</u>	P. & C.P.
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<u>AB 1443</u>	REV. & TAX.
<u>AB 1457</u>	NAT. RES.
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<u>AB 1466</u>	JUD.
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Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 49

Introduced by Assembly Member DeMaio

March 5, 2025

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 49—Relative to California STEAM Robotics Day.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 49, as introduced, DeMaio. California STEAM Robotics Day. This measure would proclaim March 22, 2025, as California STEAM Robotics Day.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, Every American pupil deserves access to a
2 high-quality education in science, technology, engineering, and
3 mathematics (STEM) for their future, California’s future, and the
4 nation’s future; and

5 WHEREAS, There is a strong need to recognize California’s
6 STEM leadership in technological advancement, innovation
7 technology, and robotics; and

8 WHEREAS, An increased investment in STEM and robotics is
9 vital to ensure California pupils pursue careers in robotics and
10 other STEM-related fields; and

11 WHEREAS, Technological hubs such as the Cities of San
12 Francisco, San Jose (Silicon Valley), Oxnard, Los Angeles, and
13 San Diego and other communities are known across California for
14 their STEM influence, invention, and innovation; and

15 WHEREAS, Silicon Valley has driven innovation in
16 technological areas worldwide; and

1 WHEREAS, There has been a growing demand for STEM jobs
2 in the fields of engineering, biotechnology, and computer
3 programming in California; and
4 WHEREAS, STEM that includes the arts, better known as
5 science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics (STEAM),
6 promotes the 21st century skills of teamwork, problem solving,
7 and technological literacy; and
8 WHEREAS, FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science
9 and Technology) is the world’s leading youth-serving nonprofit
10 advancing STEM education; and
11 WHEREAS, The mission of FIRST is to inspire young people
12 to be science and technology leaders and innovators by engaging
13 them in exciting mentor-based programs that build science,
14 engineering, and technology skills that inspire innovation, and that
15 foster well-rounded life capabilities including self-confidence,
16 communication, and leadership; and
17 WHEREAS, The vision of FIRST is to transform our culture
18 by creating a world where science and technology are celebrated
19 and where young people dream of becoming science and
20 technology leaders; and
21 WHEREAS, FIRST and robotics inspire young people to become
22 innovators and leaders in science and technology in California;
23 and
24 WHEREAS, The month of March coincides with multiple
25 robotics competitions held by FIRST; now, therefore, be it
26 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
27 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature proclaims March 22,
28 2025, as California STEAM Robotics Day to observe and celebrate
29 the advancements and innovations made in California and for the
30 pursuit of STEAM careers; and be it further
31 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
32 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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Date of Hearing: March 17, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
ACR 49 (DeMaio) – As Introduced March 5, 2025

SUBJECT: California STEAM Robotics Day.

SUMMARY: Proclaims March 22, 2025, as California STEAM Robotics Day to observe and celebrate the advancements and innovations made in California and for the pursuit of STEAM careers. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Every American pupil deserves access to a high-quality education in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) for their future, California’s future, and the nation’s future. STEM that includes the arts, better known as science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics (STEAM), promotes the 21st-century skills of teamwork, problem solving, and technological literacy.
- 2) There is a strong need to recognize California’s STEM leadership in technological advancement, innovation technology, and robotics.
- 3) An increased investment in STEM and robotics is vital to ensure California pupils pursue careers in robotics and other STEM-related fields. Technological hubs such as the Cities of San Francisco, San Jose (Silicon Valley), Oxnard, Los Angeles, San Diego, and other communities are known across California for their STEM influence, invention, and innovation.
- 4) There has been a growing demand for STEM jobs in the fields of engineering, biotechnology, and computer programming in California.
- 5) For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology (FIRST) is the world’s leading youth-serving nonprofit advancing STEM education. The vision of FIRST is to transform our culture by creating a world where science and technology are celebrated and where young people dream of becoming science and technology leaders.
- 6) The month of March coincides with multiple robotics competitions held by FIRST.

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 MARCH 12, 2025

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2025–26 REGULAR SESSION

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 50

**Introduced by Assembly ~~Member~~ *Members Ahrens and Nguyen*
(Principal coauthor: Assembly Member Lackey)**

March 5, 2025

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 50—Relative to Special Olympics Day.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 50, as amended, ~~Nguyen Ahrens~~. Special Olympics Day.

This measure would proclaim March 24, 2025, as Special Olympics Day in California.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, In the 1950s and 1960s, Eunice Kennedy Shriver
2 saw how unjustly people with intellectual disabilities were treated
3 and decided to take actions that led to the creation of Special
4 Olympics; and

5 WHEREAS, Special Olympics is the world's largest sports
6 organization for children and adults with intellectual disabilities,
7 providing year-round training and competitions to more than
8 4,000,000 athletes and Unified Sports partners in 177 countries;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, Special Olympics California events bring together
11 a large and inclusive community of athletes, families, supporters,
12 coaches, volunteers, and many others; and

1 WHEREAS, Through the power of sports, Special Olympics
2 California athletes discover new strengths, abilities, confidence,
3 and success on the playing field and in life; and
4 WHEREAS, Special Olympics California is the leading voice
5 in raising awareness about the abilities of people with intellectual
6 disabilities ~~in the state~~; *California*; and
7 WHEREAS, Special Olympics is the world’s largest public
8 health organization for people with intellectual disabilities and
9 offers a wide range of free health exams and care; and
10 WHEREAS, With the support of the State of California, Special
11 Olympics California provides free year-round services and
12 programs in sports, schools, leadership, and health and wellness
13 to more than 50,000 people with intellectual disabilities and their
14 families in the state; and
15 WHEREAS, Special Olympics California provides screenings,
16 including vision, eye health, audiology, dentistry, prevention and
17 nutrition, podiatry, and mental and emotional health; and
18 WHEREAS, Special Olympics California bridges the gap
19 between medical professionals and people with intellectual
20 disabilities to break down barriers to services and to advocate for
21 quality care; and
22 WHEREAS, Special Olympics brings the power of Unified
23 Champion Schools programs to over 1,100 schools and more than
24 300,000 students annually. Cultivating friendship and belonging
25 between students with and without disabilities, the programming
26 spans preschool to transition schools, and includes sports
27 curriculum, youth leadership, and resources for educators; now,
28 therefore, be it
29 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
30 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature hereby proclaims March
31 24, 2025, as Special Olympics Day in California; and be it further
32 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
33 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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Date of Hearing: March 17, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
ACR 50 (Ahrens) – As Amended March 12, 2025

SUBJECT: Special Olympics Day.

SUMMARY: Proclaims March 24, 2025, as Special Olympics Day in California. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Special Olympics is the world's largest sports organization for children and adults with intellectual disabilities, providing year-round training and competitions to more than four million athletes and Unified Sports partners in 177 countries.
- 2) Special Olympics California is the leading voice in raising awareness about the abilities of people with intellectual disabilities in California.
- 3) Special Olympics California events bring together a large and inclusive community of athletes, families, supporters, coaches, volunteers, and many others.
- 4) Through the power of sports, Special Olympics California athletes discover new strengths, abilities, confidence, and success on the playing field and in life.
- 5) Special Olympics California provides free year-round services and programs in sports, schools, leadership, and health and wellness to more than 50,000 people with intellectual disabilities and their families in the state.
- 6) Special Olympics California provides screenings, including vision, eye health, audiology, dentistry, prevention and nutrition, podiatry, and mental and emotional health.
- 7) Special Olympics brings the power of Unified Champion Schools programs to over 1,100 schools and more than 300,000 students annually. Cultivating friendship and belonging between students with and without disabilities, the program spans preschool to transition schools, and includes sports curriculum, youth leadership, and resources for educators.

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. 15

Introduced by Assembly Member Aguiar-Curry

February 19, 2025

House Resolution No. 15—Relative to The Power of Us Day.

1 WHEREAS, The Power of Us event is a singular event that
2 brings together women’s leadership organizations including
3 Leadership California, California Legislative Women’s Caucus,
4 She Shares, California Women Lead, the Commission on the Status
5 of Women and Girls, and the Women’s Foundation California;
6 and

7 WHEREAS, The Power of Us event recognizes women leaders
8 who have and continue to make a difference in our state and
9 communities; and

10 WHEREAS, The sponsors of this event have come together for
11 this unique opportunity to support women leaders but also engage,
12 educate, support and inspire others to pursue their own leadership
13 path; and

14 WHEREAS, The percentage of women-owned businesses in
15 California is less than 25 percent, only 4 percent CEOs, 33 percent
16 directors, and 41 percent management positions are held by women;
17 and

18 WHEREAS, While we have made significant progress, women
19 legislators remain disproportionate to the state’s population; and

20 WHEREAS, Women leaders and their success are critical to the
21 health and well-being of our families, state, nation, and overall
22 economy; and

23 WHEREAS, The state and nation benefits from over one-half
24 of our population being women, there is much more to be done to

1 ensure they are at the table and engaged in decisionmaking and
2 policymaking from communities to board rooms to legislative
3 bodies; and

4 WHEREAS, The Power of Us event celebrates the work of
5 women leaders and also empowers all of us to find ways to
6 strengthen their voice in all the rooms, chambers, and communities
7 that are determining the fate of our state and nation; now, therefore,
8 be it

9 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California,* That the
10 Assembly of the State of California acknowledges the work of
11 women and duly recognizes their leadership; and be it further

12 *Resolved,* That the Assembly of the State of California declares
13 the day of April 28, 2025, as the Power of Us Day in recognition
14 of not only the event but the work of the partners and every woman
15 who is inspired to do more for all; and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: March 17, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
HR 15 (Aguiar-Curry) – As Introduced February 19, 2025

SUBJECT: The Power of Us Day.

SUMMARY: Declares April 28, 2025, as the Power of Us Day, acknowledges the work of women who are inspired to do more for all, and duly recognizes their leadership. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) The Power of Us event is a singular event that brings together women’s leadership organizations including Leadership California, the California Legislative Women’s Caucus, She Shares, California Women Lead, the Commission on the Status of Women and Girls, and the Women’s Foundation California.
- 2) The Power of Us event recognizes women leaders who have and continue to make a difference in our state and communities.
- 3) The percentage of women-owned businesses in California is less than 25 percent, only 4 percent CEOs, 33 percent directors, and 41 percent management positions are held by women.
- 4) While we have made significant progress, women legislators remain disproportionate to the state’s population. Women leaders and their success are critical to the health and well-being of our families, state, nation, and overall economy.
- 5) The state and nation benefits from over one-half of our population being women, there is much more to be done to ensure they are at the table and engaged in decisionmaking and policymaking from communities to board rooms to legislative bodies.
- 6) The Power of Us event celebrates the work of women leaders and also empowers all of us to find ways to strengthen their voice in all the rooms, chambers, and communities that are determining the fate of our state and nation.

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. 21

**Introduced by Assembly Member Zbur
(Principal coauthors: Assembly Members Elhawary,
Mark González, Jackson, Lee, Solache, and Ward)**

March 3, 2025

House Resolution No. 21—Relative to Transgender Day of Visibility.

1 WHEREAS, Originating from Indigenous communities of Turtle
2 Island, the concept of “Two-Spirit” denotes a unique cultural
3 identity that includes various sexual orientation and gender
4 expressions, and intersects with Indigenous LGBTQ+ identities;
5 the term Two-Spirit was first articulated at the Third Annual
6 Intertribal Native American, First Nations, Gay and Lesbian
7 American Conference in the City of Winnipeg in 1990; Two-Spirit
8 peoples hold diverse culturally significant roles in their respective
9 communities; and Two-Spirit is used as an umbrella term and
10 organizing tool to center the diversity of gender identities and
11 sexual orientation expressions, including LGBTQ+, within
12 Indigenous communities that have rich histories, predating
13 European colonization; and
14 WHEREAS, Over 1,000,000 Americans, including over 300,000
15 Californians, are Two-Spirit, Transgender, Gender Nonconforming
16 or Nonbinary, or Intersex (2STGI) and have overcome significant
17 hardships to build vibrant and thriving communities, often in the
18 face of systemic and interpersonal prejudice, discrimination, and
19 violence; and
20 WHEREAS, The International Transgender Day of Visibility
21 encompasses an expansive community of people, including people

1 who identify as Two-Spirit, transgender, gender nonconforming,
2 nonbinary, and/or intersex; and

3 WHEREAS, While Transgender Day of Remembrance was
4 established in 1999 to honor the transgender community's pain
5 and memorialize transgender people we have lost due to
6 transgender hate and gender violence, the International Transgender
7 Day of Visibility was subsequently founded over a decade later to
8 celebrate 2STGI people and center joy, hope, and 2STGI identities;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, 2STGI people have existed throughout history,
11 held prominent cultural and spiritual positions within their
12 communities, and greatly contributed to societies all across the
13 world; and

14 WHEREAS, 2STGI people throughout history have included
15 the Gala, androgynous and transgender priests of the Sumerian
16 goddess Inanna from 5,000 to 3,000 B.C.E.; Anastasia the Patrician
17 of Alexandria, formerly a lady-in-waiting to an empress who
18 transitioned to presenting masculinely and living as a monk in the
19 sixth century and; We'wha, a celebrated Two-Spirit Zuni spiritual
20 leader, cultural ambassador, and Native American advocate in the
21 1800s; and

22 WHEREAS, Visibility for 2STGI people comes in diverse forms,
23 such as showcasing 2STGI stories through art, storytelling, and
24 media; 2STGI people sharing their affirmed names with their
25 families, loved ones, and colleagues; pushing back against attempts
26 to erase the 2STGI community by organizing demonstrations and
27 moving throughout the world openly and authentically; and
28 uplifting the power and beauty of 2STGI people by elevating
29 positive narratives that highlight transgender joy, love, and
30 community; and

31 WHEREAS, As a result of community activism, determined
32 advocacy, resilience, and undeniable talent, 2STGI people continue
33 to reclaim and tear down systemic barriers set up to exclude them
34 and serve as community and educational leaders, star in
35 award-winning films and television, and hold prominent
36 government positions; and

37 WHEREAS, 2STGI trailblazers have been visible throughout
38 history, including, but not limited to, Michael Dillon, the first
39 transgender man to transition through hormones and undergo
40 gender-reassignment surgery starting in 1939; Billy Tipton,

1 renowned jazz musician throughout the mid-20th century; and
2 Christine Jorgensen, American actress, singer, recording artist,
3 and activist who became the first person in the United States to
4 have gender-reassignment surgery; and

5 WHEREAS, 2STGI trailblazers have paved the way for visibility
6 in film, television, and music, including, but not limited to, Yance
7 Ford becoming the first transgender man to receive an Oscar
8 nomination; Alex Newell and J. Harrison Ghee becoming the first
9 openly nonbinary people to win a Tony Award; Laverne Cox
10 becoming the first Black transgender person to produce and star
11 in their own television show; Michaela Jaé Rodriguez becoming
12 the first transgender television actress to win a Golden Globe; Kim
13 Petras becoming the first transgender woman to win a Grammy
14 Award; and Karla Sofía Gascón becoming the first openly
15 transgender performer to win a major acting award at the Cannes
16 Film Festival; and

17 WHEREAS, 2STGI trailblazers have also paved the way for
18 visibility at all levels of government, including, but not limited to,
19 the first openly transgender public officeholder in the United States,
20 Councilmember Joanne Marie Conte elected to serve in the City
21 of Arvada in Colorado in 1991; the first openly transgender trial
22 court judge elected in California, County of Alameda Judge
23 Victoria Kolakowski in 2011; the first openly transgender person
24 to win a Republican primary election for state legislative office,
25 Lauren Scott of Nevada in 2014; the first openly transgender person
26 elected in California for a nonjudicial position, Palm Springs City
27 Councilmember Lisa Middleton in 2017; and the first openly
28 transgender person elected to Congress, Representative Sarah
29 McBride in 2024; and

30 WHEREAS, In California, across the country, and territories,
31 2STGI people have courageously and powerfully organized in
32 response to increased hate and violence directed at the 2STGI
33 community, especially towards transgender women of color, yet
34 continue to face a lack of basic needs and services, mainstream
35 media visibility and coverage, recognition, and respect; and

36 WHEREAS, Celebrating visibility must also come with a
37 recognition that visibility and representation are not substitutes
38 for justice and 2STGI people, particularly 2STGI youth,
39 transgender women of color, individuals with transmasculine

1 identities, and 2STGI refugees, immigrants, and asylees continue
2 to face profound threats to their safety and well-being; and

3 WHEREAS, The Assembly acknowledges that for many,
4 visibility can mean an increased likelihood of harm, and for each
5 2STGI person killed or lost this year and in years past we mourn
6 them, we honor them, and we say their names; and

7 WHEREAS, The Assembly recognizes and respects that people
8 live in varying levels of being visible in themselves and their
9 2STGI identities; and

10 WHEREAS, The Assembly also celebrates the beauty and
11 resilience of 2STGI people today and throughout history, and
12 recognizes that 2STGI people have a rich tradition of contributing
13 in myriad ways to the betterment of our society and our state, often
14 working at the forefront of social justice activism and human rights;
15 and

16 WHEREAS, 2STGI people, and in particular transgender women
17 of color, including, but not limited to, Sylvia Rivera and Marsha
18 P. Johnson, were instrumental in the foundation of the modern
19 LGBTQ+ rights movement in the United States, from the 1965
20 Dewey lunch counter protests in the City of Philadelphia to the
21 Stonewall uprising in 1969 to the creation of groundbreaking new
22 civil rights organizations; and

23 WHEREAS, 2STGI people, and in particular transgender women
24 of color, including, but not limited to, California trailblazers Miss
25 Major, Felicia Elizondo, also known as Felicia Flames, and Donna
26 Personna, who were also instrumental in the modern LGBTQ+
27 rights movement in California and the United States, from the
28 1966 Compton’s Cafeteria riot in the City and County of San
29 Francisco to the 1958 Cooper Do-nuts riot, 1966–67 Black Cat
30 Tavern protests, and the 1968 The Patch Bar “Flower Power”
31 protest all in the City of Los Angeles; and

32 WHEREAS, Civil rights victories won by 2STGI activists have
33 expanded judicial recognition of legal and constitutional protections
34 for gender identity and expression, and provided a greater number
35 of people with the basic protections needed to ensure human dignity
36 and self-determination; however, these rights are still not being
37 effectively implemented and enforced, and they still are not being
38 universally guaranteed, with laws varying by state and locality and
39 regressive measures still being pursued and passed; and

1 WHEREAS, The Assembly recognizes and celebrates the
2 existence, lived experiences, and the innovative ongoing work
3 being done by 2STGI organizations and individuals to build
4 inclusive restorative spaces and to fight for the safety and dignity
5 of those who often remain marginalized in all spaces, especially
6 people with disabilities, undocumented people, people living in
7 poverty, people with access needs, people residing in rural
8 communities, and justice-involved individuals; and

9 WHEREAS, While California is a leader in defending the rights
10 and safety of 2STGI people, our state is not immune to the national
11 wave of transgender hate, violence, and political attacks.
12 California’s commitment to the 2STGI community is needed even
13 more in the face of rising extremism and hostility here and across
14 the nation and globe; and

15 WHEREAS, California has become a safe haven for many
16 2STGI people across the United States, its territories, and beyond,
17 including for its access to health care and robust civil rights laws
18 allowing 2STGI people to live their authentic lives; and

19 WHEREAS, 2STGI people include, but are not limited to,
20 parents, siblings, children, family, friends, colleagues, congregants,
21 parishioners, neighbors, and caretakers, all deserving of human
22 dignity, safety, and support; and

23 WHEREAS, In California, we believe in and reaffirm the
24 inherent value of each and every resident of our state, especially
25 our 2STGI communities, individuals, and families, without
26 exception; and

27 WHEREAS, In California, we believe it is ever more critical to
28 uplift and support our 2STGI residents and reaffirm their right to
29 live visibly, openly, authentically, and unapologetically, without
30 exception; now, therefore, be it

31 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, That the*
32 *Assembly hereby proclaims March 31, 2025, as Transgender Day*
33 *of Visibility; and be it further*

34 *Resolved, That the Assembly hereby proclaims the week of*
35 *March 24, 2025, through March 28, 2025, as Transgender Week*
36 *of Visibility in the capitol; and be it further*

37 *Resolved, That the Assembly joins communities across our*
38 *nation to increase awareness about the importance of removing*
39 *all barriers to 2STGI communities, individuals, and families and*
40 *upholding human rights for all; 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: March 17, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
HR 21 (Zbur) – As Introduced March 3, 2025

SUBJECT: Transgender Day of Visibility.

SUMMARY: Proclaims March 31, 2025, as Transgender Day of Visibility, and the week of March 24, 2025, through March 28, 2025, as Transgender Week of Visibility in the Capitol. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) The International Transgender Day of Visibility encompasses an expansive community of people, including people who identify as Two-Spirit, transgender, gender nonconforming, nonbinary, and/or intersex.
- 2) Originating from Indigenous communities of Turtle Island, the concept of “Two-Spirit” denotes a unique cultural identity that includes various sexual orientation and gender expressions, and intersects with Indigenous LGBTQ+ identities. The term Two-Spirit was first articulated at the Third Annual Intertribal Native American, First Nations, Gay and Lesbian Conference in Winnipeg in 1990.
- 3) Two-Spirit is used as an umbrella term and organizing tool to center the diversity of gender identities and sexual orientation expressions, including LGBTQ+, within Indigenous communities that have rich histories, predating European colonization.
- 4) Over one million Americans, including over 300,000 Californians, are Two-Spirit, Transgender, Gender Nonconforming or Nonbinary, or Intersex (2STGI), and have overcome significant hardships to build vibrant and thriving communities, often in the face of systemic and interpersonal prejudice, discrimination, and violence.
- 5) While Transgender Day of Remembrance was established in 1999 to honor the transgender community’s pain and memorialize transgender people we have lost due to transgender hate and gender violence, the International Transgender Day of Visibility was subsequently founded over a decade later to celebrate 2STGI people and center joy, hope, and 2STGI identities.
- 6) Celebrating visibility must also come with a recognition that visibility and representation are not substitutes for justice and 2STGI people, particularly 2STGI youth, transgender women of color, individuals with transmasculine identities, and 2STGI refugees, immigrants, and asylees continue to face profound threats to their safety and well-being.
- 7) While California is a leader in defending the rights and safety of 2STGI people, our state is not immune to the national wave of transgender hate, violence, and political attacks. California’s commitment to the 2STGI community is needed even more in the face of rising extremism and hostility here and across the nation and globe.
- 8) California has become a safe haven for many 2STGI people across the United States, its territories, and beyond, including for its access to health care and robust civil rights laws allowing 2STGI people to live their authentic lives.

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 Ochoa Bogh

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February 10, 2025

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 20—Relative to Peripartum Cardiomyopathy Awareness Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SCR 20, as introduced, Ochoa Bogh. Peripartum Cardiomyopathy Awareness Month.

This measure would designate February 2025 as Peripartum Cardiomyopathy Awareness Month.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, Peripartum cardiomyopathy (PPCM) is a form of
2 heart failure that most often develops late in pregnancy but can
3 occur up to five months into the postpartum period; and
4 WHEREAS, According to the New England Journal of
5 Medicine, the incidence of PPCM varies from 1 in 100 to 1 in 300
6 pregnancies in “geographic hot spots,” such as Nigeria and Haiti,
7 to 1 in 1,000 to 1 in 4,000 in Europe and the United States; and
8 WHEREAS, According to the federal Centers for Disease
9 Control and Prevention, general cardiomyopathy was the cause of
10 9 percent of pregnancy-related deaths between 2017 and 2019,
11 inclusive; and

1 WHEREAS, According to the American Heart Association,
2 PPCM is diagnosed in mothers without a prior diagnosis of heart
3 disease and when no other cause of heart failure can be found; and

4 WHEREAS, PPCM can cause fatigue and low blood pressure
5 due to restricted blood flow and swelling due to fluid buildup
6 around vital organs; and

7 WHEREAS, PPCM is difficult to diagnosis because symptoms
8 mimic those of a healthy pregnancy, such as shortness of breath,
9 increased urination at night, heart palpitations, swelling in the feet
10 and legs, and lightheadedness; and

11 WHEREAS, A weight gain of three pounds or more over a day
12 or two may signal a fluid buildup that warrants a conversation with
13 a medical professional; and

14 WHEREAS, Several factors increase the risk of developing
15 PPCM, including high blood pressure, preeclampsia, multiple
16 gestations (e.g., twins), and advanced maternal age (e.g., 35 years
17 of age or older); and

18 WHEREAS, PPCM is more common amongst mothers of color
19 and mothers diagnosed with PPCM in past pregnancies; and

20 WHEREAS, According to the New England Journal of
21 Medicine, some genetic mutations including titin truncating
22 variants may predispose some women to PPCM; and

23 WHEREAS, According to the American Heart Association,
24 PPCM is diagnosed when three criteria are met: 1) heart failure
25 develops in late pregnancy or within months following delivery;
26 2) left ventricular ejection fraction (the percentage of fluid ejected
27 from the left ventricle) is less than 45 percent (typically measured
28 by an echocardiogram); and 3) no other cause for this heart failure
29 can be found; and

30 WHEREAS, Brain natriuretic peptide (BNP) and N-Terminal
31 Pro-B-Type Natriuretic Peptide (NT-proBNP) levels may be tested
32 to indicate to medical providers that the heart is not pumping
33 properly; and

34 WHEREAS, If caught early, many women with PPCM will
35 recover normal heart function within six months after treatment
36 starts; and

37 WHEREAS, If left untreated, PPCM can lead to advanced,
38 lifelong heart failure which could require a heart transplant or even
39 result in death; and

1 WHEREAS, PPCM treatment can include common medications
2 that lower blood pressure, improve heart function, or reduce fluid
3 retention, or a combination of the three, and diet changes such as
4 restricting fluid and salt; and

5 WHEREAS, Women can minimize their PPCM risk by not
6 drinking or smoking, eating a well-balanced diet, exercising, and
7 monitoring their blood pressure; now, therefore, be it

8 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
9 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature proclaims the month of
10 February 2025 as Peripartum Cardiomyopathy Awareness Month;
11 and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: March 17, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
SCR 20 (Ochoa Bogh) – As Introduced February 10, 2025

SENATE VOTE: 35-0

SUBJECT: Peripartum Cardiomyopathy Awareness Month.

SUMMARY: Proclaims the month of February 2025 as Peripartum Cardiomyopathy Awareness Month. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Peripartum cardiomyopathy (PPCM) is a form of heart failure that most often develops late in pregnancy but can occur up to five months into the postpartum period.
- 2) According to the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, general cardiomyopathy was the cause of 9 percent of pregnancy-related deaths between 2017 and 2019, inclusive.
- 3) According to the American Heart Association, PPCM is diagnosed in mothers without a prior diagnosis of heart disease and when no other cause of heart failure can be found. PPCM can cause fatigue and low blood pressure due to restricted blood flow and swelling due to fluid buildup around vital organs.
- 4) PPCM is more common amongst mothers of color and mothers diagnosed with PPCM in past pregnancies.
- 5) If caught early, many women with PPCM will recover normal heart function within six months after treatment starts. If left untreated, PPCM can lead to advanced, lifelong heart failure which could require a heart transplant or even result in death.
- 6) PPCM treatment can include common medications that lower blood pressure, improve heart function, or reduce fluid retention, or a combination of the three, and diet changes such as restricting fluid and salt.

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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Introduced by Senator Smallwood-Cuevas
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February 11, 2025

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 21—Relative to Black History Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SCR 21, as introduced, Smallwood-Cuevas. Black History Month.

This measure would recognize February 2025 as Black History Month, urge all citizens to join in celebrating the accomplishments of African Americans during Black History Month, and encourage the people of California to recognize the many talents of African Americans and the achievements and contributions they make to their communities to create equity and equality for education, economics, and social justice. The measure would also recognize the significance in protecting citizens’ right to vote and remedying racial discrimination in voting.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, The history of the United States is rich with
2 inspirational stories of great individuals whose actions, words, and
3 achievements have united Americans and contributed to the success
4 and prosperity of the United States; and

5 WHEREAS, Among those Americans who have enriched our
6 society are the members of the African American community,
7 individuals whose accomplishments have contributed to every
8 endeavor throughout the history of our nation and who have been

1 steadfast in their commitment to promoting brotherhood, equality,
2 and justice for all; and

3 WHEREAS, Dr. Carter Godwin Woodson, the distinguished
4 African American author, editor, publisher, and historian who is
5 known as the “Father of Black History,” founded Negro History
6 Week in 1926, which became Black History Month in 1976, with
7 the intent to encourage further research and publications regarding
8 the untold stories of African American heritage; and

9 WHEREAS, August 2019 marked 400 years since the first
10 arrival of Africans to present-day America, and the United States
11 Congress established the 400 Years of African American History
12 Commission to commemorate the historic heritage and
13 contributions that Americans of African descent have made to help
14 shape the cultural, academic, social, economic, and moral attributes
15 of this nation; and

16 WHEREAS, In August 1619, the first documented Africans
17 arrived in the English colony of Virginia. The group, recorded
18 upon arrival as “20 and odd Negroes,” was part of a larger group
19 of West Africans enslaved by Portuguese slave traders. They were
20 on their way to Veracruz aboard a Portuguese ship when they were
21 captured off the coast of Mexico by an English warship and
22 transported to Virginia, where they were put ashore at what is now
23 Hampton, Virginia, and sold as involuntary laborers or indentured
24 servants; and

25 WHEREAS, Slavery had not yet been institutionalized, so the
26 Africans were informed they would work under contract for a
27 certain period of time before being granted freedom and the rights
28 afforded other settlers. However, while European indentured
29 servants were listed along with their year of expected freedom, no
30 such information accompanied the names of the African indentured
31 servants; and

32 WHEREAS, The historic arrival of the group of “20 and odd
33 Negroes” marked the beginning of the trend in colonial America
34 where people of Africa were taken unwillingly from their homeland
35 and transplanted to a foreign land, condemned to a lifetime of
36 slavery and racial discrimination, and endured atrocities and
37 conditions mostly undreamt of up until that time; and

38 WHEREAS, During the course of the slave trade, an estimated
39 50,000,000 African men, women, and children were lost to their
40 native continent. Of those, the majority—about 35,000,000—lost

1 their lives on African soil or along the Guinea coast, or finally in
2 holds on the ships during the dreaded Middle Passage across the
3 Atlantic Ocean; and

4 WHEREAS, In spite of the African slave trade, Africans and
5 African Americans continued to move forward in society. During
6 the Reconstruction period, 2 African Americans served in the
7 United States Senate and 14 sat in the House of Representatives;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, From the earliest days of the United States, the
10 course of its history has been greatly influenced by African
11 American heroes and pioneers in many diverse areas, including
12 science, medicine, business, education, government, industry, and
13 social leadership; and

14 WHEREAS, Africans and African Americans have been great
15 inventors, inventing and improving on innovations such as the
16 air-conditioning unit, almanac, automatic gearshift, blood plasma
17 bag, clothes dryer, doorknob, doorstop, electric lamp bulb, elevator,
18 fire escape ladder, fountain pen, gas mask, golf tee, horseshoe,
19 lantern, lawnmower, lawn sprinkler, lock, lubricating cup,
20 refrigerating apparatus, spark plug, stethoscope, telephone
21 transmitter, thermostat control, traffic signal, and typewriter; and

22 WHEREAS, Before the passage of the federal Voting Rights
23 Act of 1965, voters faced disenfranchisement through poll taxes,
24 literacy tests, and other tactics intended to keep African Americans
25 from the polls on Election Day; and

26 WHEREAS, The Civil Rights Movement helped change public
27 policy from segregation to integration, resulting in the repeal of
28 the post-Reconstruction era state laws mandating racial segregation
29 in the South, known as the “Jim Crow Laws,” thereby leading to
30 the passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Voting Rights Act
31 of 1965, and other antidiscrimination laws aimed at ending
32 economic, legal, and social segregation in America; and

33 WHEREAS, The year 2020 marked the sesquicentennial of the
34 Fifteenth Amendment (1870) and 55 years since the passage of
35 the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965; and

36 WHEREAS, In 1976, the United States government officially
37 recognized Black History Month, calling upon the public to “seize
38 the opportunity to honor the too often neglected accomplishments
39 of Black Americans in every area of endeavor throughout our
40 history”; and

1 WHEREAS, In 2008, Barack H. Obama was elected to serve
2 as the first African American President of the United States; and

3 WHEREAS, In 2012, President Barack H. Obama was reelected
4 to serve as President of the United States; and

5 WHEREAS, In 2012, California historically elected the most
6 African Americans to serve in the Legislature, totaling 12 members;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, In 2013, the hashtag #BlackLivesMatter first
9 appeared on Twitter on July 13, 2013, and spread widely as
10 high-profile cases involving the deaths of Black civilians, such as
11 the murder of Trayvon Martin, provoked renewed outrage. A series
12 of deaths of Black Americans at the hands of police officers
13 continued to spark outrage and protests, including Eric Garner in
14 New York City, New York, Michael Brown in Ferguson, Missouri,
15 Tamir Rice in Cleveland, Ohio, and Freddie Gray in Baltimore,
16 Maryland; and

17 WHEREAS, In 2013, Gymnast Simone Biles becomes the first
18 African American world all-around champion; and

19 WHEREAS, In November of 2014, former Assembly Member
20 Autumn Burke was elected as the representative of the 62nd
21 Assembly District. Her mother, former Los Angeles County
22 Supervisor, Assembly Member Yvonne Brathwaite Burke, was
23 the first African American woman elected to the California
24 Assembly, the first African American woman elected to Congress
25 from California, and a founding member of the Legislative Black
26 Caucus. The election in 2014 marked the first time a mother and
27 daughter have both served in the Assembly; and

28 WHEREAS, In 2015, Loretta Lynch was sworn in as the first
29 African American woman Attorney General; and

30 WHEREAS, On September 24, 2016, the Smithsonian National
31 Museum of African American History and Culture (NMAAHC)
32 opened. NMAAHC is the only national museum devoted
33 exclusively to the documentation of African American life, history,
34 and culture. An act of Congress established the museum in 2003,
35 following decades of efforts to promote and highlight the
36 contributions of African Americans. To date, the museum has
37 collected more than 40,000 artifacts and nearly 100,000 individuals
38 have become members; and

39 WHEREAS, The Black Lives Matter movement gained renewed
40 attention on September 25, 2016, when San Francisco 49ers

1 quarterback Colin Kaepernick and players Eric Reid and Eli Harold
2 kneeled during the national anthem before the game against the
3 Seattle Seahawks to draw attention to recent acts of police brutality;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, In 2016, Kamala D. Harris was elected as a United
6 States Senator for California, the second African American woman
7 and first South Asian American senator in history; and

8 WHEREAS, In 2019, Governor Gavin Newsom appointed Dr.
9 Nadine Burke Harris, a leading expert on the health effects of
10 childhood trauma and development, to serve as California’s first
11 Surgeon General; and

12 WHEREAS, The year 2020 marked the centennial of the
13 Nineteenth Amendment of the United States Constitution and the
14 culmination of the women’s suffrage movement; and

15 WHEREAS, In 2020, Kamala D. Harris was elected Vice
16 President of the United States on the Democratic ticket with
17 President-elect Joseph Biden. Harris is the first female Vice
18 President in United States history, the first Asian American, and
19 first African American Vice President in United States history;
20 and

21 WHEREAS, In 2020, Shirley Nash Weber, Ph.D. was nominated
22 to serve as Secretary of State by Governor Gavin Newsom on
23 December 22, 2020, and sworn into office on January 29, 2021.
24 She is California’s first Black Secretary of State and only the fifth
25 African American to serve as a state constitutional officer in
26 California’s 170-year history; and

27 WHEREAS, In 2021, Senator Steven Bradford and Assembly
28 Member Reginald Byron Jones-Sawyer, Sr. made history as the
29 first two African American leaders to be appointed to serve as
30 chairs of their respective Public Safety Committees in the
31 California State Legislature; and

32 WHEREAS, On January 6, 2021, Democrat Raphael Warnock
33 won the Georgia Special Election and became the first African
34 American senator from Georgia. Warnock is the 11th African
35 American to serve in the United States Senate, a group that includes
36 former President Barack Obama, who served as a United States
37 Senator from Illinois, and Vice President Kamala Harris, who
38 served as a United States Senator from California; and

1 WHEREAS, On January 20, 2021, Democratic President-elect
2 Joseph Biden and Vice President-elect Kamala Harris were sworn
3 into office; and

4 WHEREAS, On June 1, 2021, California’s Reparations Task
5 Force to Study and Develop Reparation Proposals for African
6 Americans (Task Force or Reparations Task Force), commenced
7 its first meeting. This task force was established by Assembly Bill
8 3121 (2020) (Weber), and California is the first state in the nation
9 to create a task force of this magnitude; and

10 WHEREAS, The year 2021 marked the 100th Anniversary of
11 the Tulsa Race Massacre, which occurred May 31, 1921, to June
12 1, 1921. The Tulsa Race Massacre was one of the worst outbreaks
13 of racial terrorism and violence in the United States’ history; and

14 WHEREAS, On June 1, 2021, President Joseph Biden became
15 the first United States President to formally memorialize the Tulsa
16 Race Massacre, a century after the vibrant African American
17 community of Greenwood in Tulsa, Oklahoma, was destroyed;
18 and

19 WHEREAS, On June 18, 2021, President Joseph Biden made
20 a formal proclamation recognizing Juneteenth, also known as
21 Emancipation Day, as a United States federal holiday; and

22 WHEREAS, On January 3, 2022, California State Assembly
23 Speaker Anthony Rendon appointed Assembly Member Chris
24 Holden as Chair of the California State Assembly Committee on
25 Appropriations. Assembly Member Holden is the first African
26 American to Chair Appropriations in 27 years since former Speaker
27 Willie Brown chaired the Ways and Means Committee from 1971
28 to 1974, and in 1995, this committee was split into two committees:
29 Appropriations and Budget; and

30 WHEREAS, On January 11, 2022, the United States Treasury
31 minted coins featuring poet and activist Maya Angelou on the
32 United States 25-cent coin, known as a quarter. Ms. Angelou is
33 the first African American woman ever featured on a United States
34 coin and was the first African American woman to write and
35 perform a poem at a presidential inauguration; and

36 WHEREAS, On June 30, 2022, Ketanji Brown Jackson was
37 sworn in as the 116th associate justice of the Supreme Court of
38 the United States, making her the first Black woman and first
39 former public defender to serve on the court; and

1 WHEREAS, On January 7, 2023, Congressman Hakeem Jeffries
2 made history as the first Black lawmaker to lead a party in
3 Congress; and

4 WHEREAS, The 118th Congress marked the highest number
5 of African American members, totaling 64 members in 2023-2024
6 and

7 WHEREAS, Despite decades of progress, African Americans
8 continue to face racial and social injustices, voter suppression,
9 economic stagnation, and voting barriers in jurisdictions with a
10 history of discrimination; and

11 WHEREAS, To build a stronger and more cohesive state and
12 nation, we must continue to help advance the cause of voter
13 equality and equal access to the political process for all people in
14 order to protect the rights of every American; now, therefore, be
15 it

16 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
17 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature takes great pleasure in
18 recognizing February 2025 as Black History Month, urges all
19 citizens to join in celebrating the accomplishments of African
20 Americans during Black History Month, and encourages the people
21 of California to recognize the many talents of African Americans
22 and the achievements and contributions they make to their
23 communities to create equity and equality for education,
24 economics, and social justice; and be it further

25 *Resolved*, That the Legislature recognizes the significance in
26 protecting citizens' right to vote and remedying racial
27 discrimination in voting; 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: March 17, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
SCR 21 (Smallwood-Cuevas) – As Introduced February 11, 2025

SENATE VOTE: 37-0

SUBJECT: Black History Month.

SUMMARY: Recognizes February 2025 as Black History Month, and urges all citizens to join in celebrating the accomplishments of African Americans during Black History Month. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) The history of the United States is rich with inspirational stories of great individuals whose actions, words, and achievements have united Americans and contributed to the success and prosperity of the United States.
- 2) Among those Americans who have enriched our society are the members of the African American community, individuals whose accomplishments have contributed to every endeavor throughout the history of our nation and who have been steadfast in their commitment to promoting brotherhood, equality, and justice for all.
- 3) During the course of the slave trade, an estimated 50 million African men, women, and children were lost to their native continent. The majority of those individuals, about 35 million, lost their lives on African soil or along the Guinea coast, or finally in the holds of ships during the dreaded Middle Passage across the Atlantic Ocean.
- 4) From the earliest days of the United States, the course of its history has been greatly influenced by African American heroes and pioneers in many diverse areas, including science, medicine, business, education, government, industry, and social leadership.
- 5) The Civil Rights Movement helped change public policy from segregation to integration, resulting in the repeal of the post-Reconstruction era state laws mandating racial segregation in the South, known as the “Jim Crow Laws,” thereby leading to the passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Voting Rights Act of 1965, and other antidiscrimination laws aimed at ending economic, legal, and social segregation in America.
- 6) Despite decades of progress, African Americans continue to face racial and social injustices, voter suppression, economic stagnation, and voting barriers in jurisdictions with a history of discrimination.
- 7) To build a stronger and more cohesive state and nation, we must continue to help advance the cause of voter equality and equal access to the political process for all people in order to protect the rights of every American.

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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**Introduced by Senator Smallwood-Cuevas
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Rubio, Valladares, and Wahab)**

February 25, 2025

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 30—Relative to Women in Construction Week.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SCR 30, as introduced, Smallwood-Cuevas. Women in Construction Week.

This measure would proclaim the week of March 2, 2025, to March 8, 2025, inclusive, as Women in Construction Week.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, In 1987, Congress declared March as national
2 Women’s History Month in perpetuity, and since then, the industry
3 has celebrated women in construction during the first week of
4 March; and

5 WHEREAS, The focus of Women in Construction Week is to
6 highlight women as a visible component of the construction
7 industry; and

8 WHEREAS, The continuous progress of our economy requires
9 full participation and support of all citizens, regardless of gender,
10 race, or ethnic background; and

11 WHEREAS, The workforce in California is becoming
12 increasingly diversified and for this state’s construction industry
13 to remain competitive in the global economy, it must also diversify
14 its workforce by attracting significantly more women into the
15 industry; and

1 WHEREAS, Women currently occupy only 9 percent of all
2 apprenticeships and 10.9 percent of construction trade jobs
3 nationally. As a state, we should support policy efforts, such as
4 Chapter 675 of the Statutes of 2018 (Assembly Bill 2358) and
5 Chapter 722 of the Statutes of 2019 (Senate Bill 530). We aim to
6 make construction job sites safer and more welcoming to women
7 and will help achieve at least 20 percent by 2029; and

8 WHEREAS, The construction industry in California has
9 tremendous need for skilled and motivated workers, managers,
10 and entrepreneurs from all segments of the population; and

11 WHEREAS, The construction industry must strive to educate
12 and inspire parents, educators, and career counselors to encourage
13 California’s youth to enter into rewarding career opportunities in
14 construction; and

15 WHEREAS, Rising costs of higher education and evolving
16 employer workforce training needs make apprenticeship an
17 increasingly important career pathway without the burden of
18 student loans; and

19 WHEREAS, Women face many barriers to entering and staying
20 in the construction field and have historically been excluded from
21 apprenticeship opportunities that lead to meaningful careers with
22 family-supporting wages; and

23 WHEREAS, Apprenticeships are a critical pathway for women
24 to participate fully and equally in California’s growing economy;
25 and

26 WHEREAS, According to data from the Division of
27 Apprenticeship Standards, joint labor-management building trades
28 apprenticeship programs collectively graduate over 90 percent of
29 women apprentices in California’s state-approved apprenticeship
30 system and those graduates are union members with collective
31 bargaining agreements that guarantee equal pay and benefit levels
32 as their male counterparts; and

33 WHEREAS, The development of women-owned business
34 enterprises will benefit all members of the workforce through the
35 creation of meaningful and productive jobs; and

36 WHEREAS, Research has shown that gender diversity is
37 associated with increased performance, innovation, and
38 opportunity. Having more women entrepreneurs and small business
39 owners operating in the construction industry will only benefit the
40 working conditions for women across all industries; and

1 WHEREAS, Women represent an untapped resource, and
2 activities to improve women’s recruitment and retention in skilled
3 construction jobs is critically important in helping to close the
4 workforce skills gap, build the middle class, and help meet the
5 needs of the 21st century; now, therefore, be it

6 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
7 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature proclaims March 2, 2025,
8 to March 8, 2025, inclusive, as Women in Construction Week and
9 requests that the Governor issue a proclamation calling on the
10 people of the great State of California to observe the week with
11 appropriate programs and education activities; and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: March 17, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
SCR 30 (Smallwood-Cuevas) – As Introduced February 25, 2025

SENATE VOTE: 34-0

SUBJECT: Women in Construction Week.

SUMMARY: Proclaims the week of March 2, 2025, to March 8, 2025, inclusive, as Women in Construction Week. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) In 1987, Congress declared March as national Women’s History Month in perpetuity, and since then, the industry has celebrated women in construction during the first week of March.
- 2) The workforce in California is becoming increasingly diversified and for this state’s construction industry to remain competitive in the global economy, it must also diversify its workforce by attracting significantly more women into the industry.
- 3) The construction industry in California has tremendous need for skilled and motivated workers, managers, and entrepreneurs from all segments of the population.
- 4) The construction industry must strive to educate and inspire parents, educators, and career counselors to encourage California’s youth to enter into rewarding career opportunities in construction.
- 5) Women face many barriers to entering and staying in the construction field and have historically been excluded from apprenticeship opportunities that lead to meaningful careers with family-supporting wages.
- 6) Apprenticeships are a critical pathway for women to participate fully and equally in California’s growing economy.
- 7) Research has shown that gender diversity is associated with increased performance, innovation, and opportunity. Having more women entrepreneurs and small business owners operating in the construction industry will only benefit the working conditions for women across all industries.
- 8) Women represent an untapped resource, and activities to improve women’s recruitment and retention in skilled construction jobs is critically important in helping to close the workforce skills gap, build the middle class, and help meet the needs of the 21st century.

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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March 7, 2025

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RE: Request to Add an Urgency Clause to AB 493

Dear Chair Pacheco,

I am writing to respectfully request that an urgency clause be added to AB 493. This bill is essential to ensuring that homeowners affected by disasters receive the full financial benefit of their insurance payouts, rather than allowing lenders to retain the interest earned on these funds. By closing this loophole, AB 493 provides much-needed financial relief to wildfire victims and helps them rebuild faster.

The devastation caused by the Los Angeles wildfires has been catastrophic. Over 16,000 structures have been destroyed, displacing 150,000 residents who now face immense financial burdens as they attempt to recover. Homeowners should not be further disadvantaged while their insurance money sits in lender-controlled accounts accumulating interest that rightfully belongs to them.

Adding an urgency clause to AB 493 is imperative to ensure wildfire victims receive immediate financial relief and are not further delayed in their recovery.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. Should you have further questions, please contact Sage Miller, my Legislative Director, at (916) 319-2041.

Sincerely,

JOHN HARABEDIAN
Assemblymember, 41st District