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Thursday, March 5, 2020
10 minutes prior to Session
State Capitol, Room 3162

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Memo

To: Rules Committee Members
From: Michael Erke, Bill Referral Consultant
Date: 3/4/2020
Re: Consent Bill Referrals

Since you received your preliminary list of bill referrals, ACR 181 has been added to the list of referrals. The referral recommendation for AB 2916 has changed.

REFERRAL OF BILLS TO COMMITTEE

03/05/2020

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

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<u>AB 3059</u>	PUB. S.
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<u>HR 88</u>	RLS.

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 181

Introduced by Assembly Member Reyes

March 2, 2020

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 181—Relative to Interfaith Awareness Week.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 181, as introduced, Reyes. Interfaith Awareness Week.

This measure would proclaim the second week of March each year as Interfaith Awareness Week to celebrate the rich culture, community benefit, and spirit of interfaith dialogue and interfaith associations, and also celebrate individuals from all faiths who have supported and enhanced their communities across the state.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, The State of California is one of the most
2 religiously diverse states in the nation; and

3 WHEREAS, California remains a prime example of the power
4 and benefits of supporting diversity and the multitude of
5 perspectives that come from it; and

6 WHEREAS, Bringing awareness to the various interfaith groups
7 will help promote inclusivity; and

8 WHEREAS, There are hundreds of interfaith associations and
9 coalitions across California whose mission is to actively support
10 and respect individuals from all faiths, cultures, creeds, and races
11 in order to learn; and

12 WHEREAS, Supporting interfaith activity can bolster civil
13 service amongst localities in California; and

1 WHEREAS, A culture of dialogue and interfaith cooperation
2 enriches communities across California and beyond; and

3 WHEREAS, California will uphold the belief of equal religious
4 and spiritual opportunity and will defend human rights that belong
5 to all citizens; and

6 WHEREAS, Interfaith dialogs and events help support other
7 service-oriented organizations centered in community development
8 and social justice; and

9 WHEREAS, There are multiple cities and counties within
10 California that celebrate Interfaith Awareness Week; and

11 WHEREAS, The United Nations, after recognizing the
12 significance of interfaith dialogue compared to general dialogues
13 relating to race and politics, established a World Interfaith
14 Harmony Week; and

15 WHEREAS, Reports collected by the American Civil Liberties
16 Union, local police departments, the Council on American-Islamic
17 Relations, and other organizations focused on civil liberties all
18 indicate a rise in hate crimes towards religious minorities across
19 the United States; and

20 WHEREAS, The need to support all religious groups and to
21 encourage a culture of support amongst religious groups is more
22 important now than ever; and

23 WHEREAS, The number of people in religious minorities will
24 only continue to grow; now, therefore, be it

25 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
26 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature proclaims the second
27 week of March each year as Interfaith Awareness Week; and be
28 it further

29 *Resolved*, That Interfaith Awareness Week celebrates the rich
30 culture, community benefit, and spirit of interfaith dialogue and
31 interfaith associations, and also celebrates individuals from all
32 faiths who have supported and enhanced their communities across
33 the state; and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: March 5, 2020

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Ken Cooley, Chair
ACR 181 (Reyes) – As Introduced March 2, 2020

SUBJECT: Interfaith Awareness Week.

SUMMARY: Proclaims the second week of March each year as Interfaith Awareness Week. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Interfaith Awareness Week celebrates the rich culture, community benefit, and spirit of interfaith dialogue and interfaith associations, and also celebrates individuals from all faiths who have supported and enhanced their communities across the state.
- 2) The State of California is one of the most religiously diverse states in the nation and remains a prime example of the power and benefits of supporting diversity and the multitude of perspectives that come from it.
- 3) There are hundreds of interfaith associations and coalitions across California whose mission is to actively support and respect individuals from all faiths, cultures, creeds, and races in order to learn.
- 4) Supporting interfaith activity can bolster civil service amongst localities in California. A culture of dialogue and interfaith cooperation enriches communities across California and beyond.
- 5) California will uphold the belief of equal religious and spiritual opportunity and will defend human rights that belong to all citizens.
- 6) The United Nations, after recognizing the significance of interfaith dialogue compared to general dialogues relating to race and politics, established a World Interfaith Awareness Harmony Week.
- 7) The need to support all religious groups and to encourage a culture of support amongst religious groups is more important than ever.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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

House Resolution

No. 78

Introduced by Assembly Member Nazarian

January 29, 2020

House Resolution No. 78—Relative to Nowrūz.

1 WHEREAS, Nowrūz (pronounced no-rooz) originated in ancient
2 Persia more than 3,000 years ago and marks the traditional Persian
3 New Year beginning on the vernal equinox and celebrates the
4 arrival of spring; and

5 WHEREAS, Nowrūz is a combination of two Persian words:
6 the first, “now,” means new, and the second, “ruz,” means day.
7 Together they mean “new day,” which commemorates the new
8 year for many Persian and Central Asian communities all over the
9 world. It is celebrated on the exact day of the astronomical
10 Northward equinox, which occurs on March 20 or the following
11 day where it is observed; and

12 WHEREAS, The “new day” symbolizes a commitment to
13 springtime renewal, peace, and overall solidarity between
14 generations, families, and communities; and

15 WHEREAS, Nowrūz’s most notable festivities include the
16 creation of the Haft-Sin table, which is an arrangement of seven
17 symbolic items starting with “S” in Persian. This table often
18 includes sumac (crushed spice or berries), senjed (sweet dry fruit
19 of lotus trees), serkeh (vinegar), and seeb (apples), which each
20 represent various hopes for the new year, including health, wealth,
21 and prosperity. Additionally, a wisdom book is often included in
22 the form of a Koran or Bible. These festivities last over 13 days
23 and begin on the eve of the first Wednesday of the year; and

1 WHEREAS, Nowrūz is rooted in Zoroastrianism, which is an
2 ancient Persian religion that predates both Christianity and Islam
3 and originated in Iran around 1000 B.C. It is also a secular holiday
4 that is enjoyed by people of various faiths around the world, and
5 is surrounded by many rituals and celebrations that have taken on
6 various interpretations. During Nowrūz, people wear new clothes,
7 visit family, reconnect with community members, forgive past
8 wrongs, and exchange gifts as a sign of peace and friendship; and

9 WHEREAS, While Nowrūz is celebrated and observed
10 principally in Iran, the traditions of Nowrūz are strong among
11 people in Afghanistan, Iraq, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, Azerbaijan,
12 India, Pakistan, Turkey, Canada, and the United States; and

13 WHEREAS, According to the National Organization for Civil
14 Registration, the United States has the highest number of Iranians
15 outside of Iran, close to 1,000,000 people, with over one-half
16 residing in the state of California. Most Iranian Americans reside
17 in the greater Los Angeles area, which has been affectionately
18 referred to as “Tehrangeles” or “Little Persia” among Iranian
19 Americans; and

20 WHEREAS, The Los Angeles City Council designated the
21 intersection of Westwood Boulevard and Wilkins Avenue in west
22 Los Angeles as “Persian Square” to commemorate the first Persian
23 business to open in the City of Los Angeles; and

24 WHEREAS, The United Nations General Assembly proclaimed
25 International Nowrūz Day in 2010 at the enterprise of several
26 countries that uphold this global tradition, and the first global
27 Nowrūz festival, held the same year, serves to remind us of the
28 many noteworthy and lasting contributions of Persian culture to
29 the ever-growing social and economic tapestry of our country.
30 After thousands of years in the making, Nowrūz remains beloved,
31 universal, and deeply embedded in Persian culture; now, therefore,
32 be it

33 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, That the*
34 *Assembly joins the Persians and other communities throughout*
35 *the state in celebrating Friday, March 20, 2020, as the beginning*
36 *of the Persian New Year and extends best wishes for a peaceful*
37 *and prosperous Nowrūz to all Californians; 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 5, 2020

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Ken Cooley, Chair
HR 78 (Nazarian) – As Introduced January 29, 2020

SUBJECT: Nowrūz.

SUMMARY: Recognizes March 20, 2020, as the beginning of Persian New Year and extends best wishes for a peaceful and prosperous Nowrūz to all Californians. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Nowrūz is a combination of two Persian words: the first, “now,” means new, and the second, “ruz,” means day. Together they mean “new day,” which commemorates the new year for many Persian and Central Asian communities all over the world. It is celebrated on the exact day of the astronomical Northward equinox, which occurs on March 20 or the following day where it is observed.
- 2) The “new day” symbolizes a commitment to springtime renewal, peace, and overall solidarity between generations, families, and communities.
- 3) Nowrūz’s most notable festivities include the creation of the Haft-Sin table, which is an arrangement of seven symbolic items starting with “S” in Persian. This table often includes sumac (crushed spice or berries), senjed (sweet dry fruit of lotus trees), serkeh (vinegar), and seeb (apples), which each represent various hopes for the new year, including health, wealth, and prosperity. Additionally, a wisdom book is often included in the form of a Koran or Bible. These festivities last over 13 days and begin on the eve of the first Wednesday of the year.
- 4) While Nowrūz is celebrated and observed principally in Iran, the traditions of Nowrūz are strong among people in Afghanistan, Iraq, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, Azerbaijan, India, Pakistan, Turkey, Canada, and the United States.
- 5) According to the National Organization for Civil Registration, the United States has the highest number of Iranians outside of Iran, close to 1,000,000 people, with over one-half residing in the state of California. Most Iranian Americans reside in the greater Los Angeles area, which has been affectionately referred to as “Tehrangeles” or “Little Persia” among Iranian Americans.
- 6) The United Nations General Assembly proclaimed International Nowrūz Day in 2010 at the enterprise of several countries that uphold this global tradition, and the first global Nowrūz festival, held the same year, serves to remind us of the many noteworthy and lasting contributions of Persian culture to the ever-growing social and economic tapestry of our country.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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

House Resolution

No. 85

Introduced by Assembly Member Waldron

February 25, 2020

House Resolution No. 85—Relative to Women and Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Day.

1 WHEREAS, National Women and Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness
2 Day is an annual, nationwide observance, led by the United States
3 Department of Health and Human Services’ Office on Women’s
4 Health; and

5 WHEREAS, Every year on March 10, and throughout the month
6 of March, local, state, federal, and national organizations come
7 together to shed light on the impact of human immunodeficiency
8 virus (HIV) and acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS)
9 on women and girls and show support for those at risk of
10 contracting, and living with, HIV; and

11 WHEREAS, This year marks the 15th annual observance of
12 National Women and Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Day; and

13 WHEREAS, HIV and AIDS are still widespread public health
14 issues, and women, especially African American and Hispanic
15 women, remain vulnerable to infection; and

16 WHEREAS, Today, nearly one million people in the United
17 States are diagnosed with HIV, and nearly one in four of them are
18 women; and

19 WHEREAS, The 2020 National Women and Girls HIV/AIDS
20 Awareness Day theme is “HIV Prevention Starts with Me”; and

21 WHEREAS, Everyone—women, men, community
22 organizations, health care professionals, those who are

1 HIV-negative, and those living with HIV—has a role to play in
2 HIV prevention; and

3 WHEREAS, There are steps you can take to protect yourself,
4 your partner, your patients, your family, and your neighbors from
5 HIV infection, including:

6 (1) Getting a free and confidential HIV test.

7 (2) Practicing safe sex.

8 (3) If you are HIV-negative and your partner has HIV, talk to
9 a doctor about taking pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP), a daily pill
10 that can reduce your risk of getting HIV from sex by more than
11 90 percent.

12 (4) If you are living with HIV, talk to your doctor about ways
13 to stay healthy and take your medication as prescribed to achieve
14 and maintain an undetectable viral load. It can help prevent
15 spreading HIV to your sexual partner or, if you are pregnant, to
16 your baby.

17 (5) If you think you may have been exposed to HIV, visit a
18 doctor right away. The doctor may decide that you should get
19 post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP). PEP are antiretroviral medicines
20 that you take within 72 hours of possible exposure to HIV to lower
21 your chances of getting HIV.

22 (6) If you are a health care professional, you should know the
23 screening guidelines, talk to patients about their possible risk, and
24 encourage patients living with HIV to adhere to treatment; now,
25 therefore, be it

26 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the
27 Assembly recognizes March 10, 2020, as Women and Girls HIV
28 and AIDS Awareness Day and encourages all Californians to take
29 the necessary steps to prevent the spread of HIV and AIDS, support
30 those living with HIV and AIDS, and help educate those at risk of
31 HIV and AIDS; 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 5, 2020

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Ken Cooley, Chair
HR 85 (Waldron) – As Introduced February 25, 2020

SUBJECT: Women and Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Day.

SUMMARY: Recognizes March 10, 2020, as Women and Girls HIV and AIDS Awareness Day and encourages all Californians to take the necessary steps to prevent the spread of HIV and AIDS, support those living with HIV and AIDS, and help educate those at risk of HIV and AIDS. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) National Women and Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Day is an annual, nationwide observance, led by the United States Department of Health and Human Services' Office on Women's Health.
- 2) Every year on March 10, and throughout the month of March, local, state, federal, and national organizations come together to shed light on the impact of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) and acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) on women and girls and show support for those at risk of contracting, and living with, HIV.
- 3) HIV and AIDS are still widespread public health issues, and women, especially African American and Hispanic women, remain vulnerable to infection; and, today, nearly one million people in the United States are diagnosed with HIV, and nearly one in four of them are women.
- 4) This year marks the 15th annual observance of National Women and Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Day.
- 5) The 2020 National Women and Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Day theme is "HIV Prevention Starts with Me."

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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

House Resolution

No. 86

Introduced by Assembly Member Eggman

February 26, 2020

House Resolution No. 86—Relative to Social Work Month.

1 WHEREAS, March 2020 is recognized nationally as Social
2 Work Month, and this year’s theme is, “Social Workers
3 Generations Strong”; and

4 WHEREAS, The social work profession has its roots in the 1889
5 Chicago settlement house movement led by the “Mother of Social
6 Work,” Jane Addams; and

7 WHEREAS, The primary mission of the social work profession
8 is to enhance and meet the basic needs of all people, with particular
9 attention to the needs of, and empowerment through social action
10 and social justice for, those who are poor, oppressed, and living
11 in poverty; and

12 WHEREAS, Today, there are over 707,400 professional social
13 workers in the United States, over 70,700 of whom are in
14 California; and

15 WHEREAS, There are approximately 6,500 graduate students
16 in the social work pipeline in 24 accredited California State
17 University, University of California, and private programs
18 throughout the state; and

19 WHEREAS, Professional social workers train in an intensive
20 combination of classroom and community experiences focused on
21 individuals, families, and communities in crisis and in need of
22 help; and

23 WHEREAS, Professional social workers provide services across
24 the age spectrum, from prenatal to end of life services; and

1 WHEREAS, Professional social workers serve in diverse
2 settings, including schools, courtrooms, health clinics, hospitals,
3 senior centers, homeless shelters, nursing homes, the military,
4 disaster relief, prisons, corporations, and in political office; and

5 WHEREAS, For decades, social workers have been in the
6 forefront on social justice, pushing for equal rights for women,
7 African Americans, Latinos, people who are disabled, people who
8 are LGBTQ and various ethnic, cultural, and religious groups; and

9 WHEREAS, For more than a century, the social work profession
10 has been on the cutting edge of helping create change to make our
11 society a better place to live, including voting rights, improved
12 workplace safety, a minimum wage, and social safety net programs
13 that ameliorate poverty and hunger; and

14 WHEREAS, Social workers stand ready to help our society
15 overcome current pressing issues, including equal rights for all,
16 the need for improved availability of health care and mental health
17 services, immigration reform, voting rights, and the environmental
18 impact of global warming; and

19 WHEREAS, Professional social workers who have served in
20 Congress include the Honorable Ron Dellums, MSW, the
21 Honorable Barbara Lee, MSW, the Honorable Karen Bass, MSW,
22 and the Honorable Susan Davis, MSW, and professional social
23 workers who have served in the California State Legislature include
24 the Honorable Mary Salas, BSW, the Honorable Patty Berg, B.A.
25 in social work, the Honorable Mariko Yamada, MSW; and the
26 Honorable Tony Thurmond, MSW; and

27 WHEREAS, Professional social workers who have combined
28 their leadership skills and knowledge of community development
29 into distinguished positions include Arturo Rodriguez, MSW,
30 former President of the United Farmworkers Organization,
31 Terrence Roberts, MSW, PhD, original member of the Little Rock
32 Nine and former Assistant Dean of the UCLA School of Social
33 Welfare, and Caitlin Ryan, LCSW, Director of the Family
34 Acceptance Project; now, therefore, be it

35 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the
36 Assembly proclaims March 2020 Social Work Month in the State
37 of California, and that the Assembly commends the California
38 Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers for its role
39 in advancing professional social work and promoting the well-being
40 of the people of California, and also encourages all Californians

- 1 to take part in March “Social Workers Generations Strong” events
- 2 throughout California; and be it further
- 3 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
- 4 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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Date of Hearing: March 5, 2020

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Ken Cooley, Chair
HR 86 (Eggman) – As Introduced February 26, 2020

SUBJECT: Social Work Month.

SUMMARY: Proclaims March 2020 as Social Work Month in the State of California and encourages all Californians to take part in March “Social Workers Generations Strong” events throughout California. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) March 2020 is recognized nationally as Social Work Month, and this year’s theme is, “Social Workers Generations Strong.”
- 2) The primary mission of the social work profession is to enhance and meet the basic needs of all people, with particular attention to the needs of, and empowerment through social action and social justice for, those who are poor, oppressed, and living in poverty.
- 3) Today, there are over 707,400 professional social workers in the United States, over 70,700 of whom are in California; and, there are approximately 6,500 graduate students in the social work pipeline in 24 accredited California State University, University of California, and private programs throughout the state.
- 4) Professional social workers train in an intensive combination of classroom and community experiences focused on individuals, families, and communities in crisis and in need of help; and, provide services across the age spectrum, from prenatal to end of life services.
- 5) Professional social workers serve in diverse settings, including schools, courtrooms, health clinics, hospitals, senior centers, homeless shelters, nursing homes, the military, disaster relief, prisons, corporations, and in political office.
- 6) For decades, social workers have been in the forefront of social justice, pushing for equal rights for women, African Americans, Latinos, people who are disabled, people who are LGBTQ and various ethnic, cultural and religious groups.
- 7) Social workers stand ready to help our society overcome current pressing issues, including equal rights for all, the need for improved availability of health care and mental health services, immigration reform, voting rights, and the environmental impact of global warming.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

National Association of Social Workers – California Chapter

Opposition

None on file

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National Association of Social Workers - California Chapter

March 3, 2020

The Honorable Ken Cooley
Chair, Rules Committee
State Capitol Building, Room 3013
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: HR 86 (Eggman): Social Work Month

Dear Assemblymember Cooley,

The National Association of Social Workers, California Chapter (NASW-CA) supports HR 86 (Eggman), which recognizes the month of March as “Social Work Month” in California. The social work profession serves as a vital resource to build healthier and more prosperous communities and works to advance social justice.

Jane Addams, the mother of social work, started social work in Chicago in 1889. She used community organizing to bring individuals together as agents for change, working towards a collective cause to improve conditions of individuals living in housing settlements. Today, social work professionals use the same philosophy at the individual, family, and community levels to eliminate poverty, systemic oppression, and disparities in underserved and marginalized communities.

The National Association of Social Workers, California Chapter represents approximately 10,000 professional social workers in California who have degrees from accredited social work programs across the Country. NASW-CA advocates, on behalf of our members and their clients, for the implementation and improvement of programs and policies designed to enhance human well-being and help meet the basic needs of all people.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Gonzales, Director of Government Relations and Political Affairs