

# Assembly California Legislature Committee on Rules

RICHARD S. GORDON CHAIR



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# 05/28/2015

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PATTY LOPEZ (D-ALT.) JAY OBERNOLTE (R-ALT.)

# Memo

Rules Committee Members	
Mukhtar Ali, Bill Referral Consultant	
5/27/2015	
Consent Bill Referrals	

Since you received the preliminary list of bill referrals, SB 277 has been added.

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Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 70

#### **Introduced by Assembly Member Salas**

May 13, 2015

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 70—Relative to Portuguese National Heritage Month.

#### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 70, as introduced, Salas. Portuguese National Heritage Month. This bill would recognize the month of June 2015 as Portuguese National Heritage Month.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, In September of 1542, Portuguese explorer Juan

2 Rodrigues Cabrillo (João Rodrigues Cabrillo) sailed a ship into

3 San Diego Bay and became the first European to explore the land

4 now known as California. Cabrillo explored the California coast,

5 and is credited with numerous coastal discoveries; and

6 WHEREAS, The first Portuguese settlers came to California

7 from the Azores Islands in the early 19th century. The largest wave

8 of Azorean immigrants moved to California just before and after

9 the turn of the 20th century. Each wave contributed substantially

10 to setting up agricultural operations, especially dairy, vegetable, 11 and fruit farms; and

12 WHEREAS, Throughout most of the 20th century, as many as

13 one-half of all Portuguese Californians owned or operated a dairy

14 farm, worked on a dairy farm, or worked in a dairy-related industry.

15 Applying the Portuguese belief in hard work and thriftiness, along

16 with additional labor from family members, a Portuguese settler

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could earn enough to reinvest in his business, and buy more land

2 and cattle; and 3 WHEREAS, Historically, California has been a popular 4 destination for immigrants from the Azores Islands, creating strong 5 cultural ties between the two regions; currently there are over 6 330,000 persons of Portuguese heritage living in California, 7 approximately 90 percent of whom have either come directly from 8 the Azores Islands or are of Azorean parentage; and 9 WHEREAS, In 1994, the University of California, Berkeley, established The Portuguese Studies Program. Included among the 10 many goals of the program is the goal "to spotlight the crucial and 11 12 complex but often overlooked experience and contributions of the 13 Portuguese American community"; and 14 WHEREAS, Among the great Portuguese Americans who have 15 contributed significantly to this country are: composer John Philip Sousa, best known for composing "Stars and Stripes Forever"; 16 17 poet Emma Lazarus, best known for her sonnet about the Statue of Liberty, "The New Colossus"; architect William L. Pereira, best 18 19 known for designing the Transamerica Pyramid in San Francisco; and singer and actress Carmen Miranda. Many Portuguese 20 21 Americans have also served with distinction in local, state, and 22 federal office, and have served proudly in this country's military; 23 and 24 WHEREAS, Portuguese Americans have made valuable and 25 substantial contributions to every facet of California life including 26 the entertainment industry, the most notable of whom are Mary 27 Astor, Tom Hanks, Joe Perry, and James Franco; and 28 WHEREAS, Portuguese Americans continue to thrive in agricultural communities of the San Joaquin Valley, including 29 30 Hanford and Lemoore in Kings County and Shafter, Wasco, and 31 Bakersfield in Kern County; they have contributed greatly to 32 making market milk the leading agricultural product by value in both Kings and Kern Counties; and 33

WHEREAS, The Portuguese Heritage Society of California
designated the second Saturday of June as a day to celebrate
Portuguese culture through music, dance, art, cooking, parades,

37 and other festivities; now, therefore, be it

38 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate* 

39 thereof concurring, That the Legislature hereby declares the month

- 1 of June 2015 as Portuguese National Heritage Month; and be it
- 2 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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## ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES Richard Gordon, Chair ACR 70 (Salas) – As Introduced May 13, 2015

## SUBJECT: Portuguese National Heritage Month.

**SUMMARY**: Recognizes the month of June 2015 as Portuguese National Heritage Month. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) In the early 19th century, the first Portuguese settlers came to California from the Azores Islands, the largest wave of Azorean immigrants moved to California just before and after the turn of the 20th century and industriously set up agricultural operations, especially dairy, vegetable, and fruit farms.
- 2) Historically, California has been a popular destination for immigrants from the Azores Islands, creating strong cultural ties between two regions: currently there are over 330,000 people of Portuguese heritage living in California.
- 3) In 1994, The University of California, Berkeley, established the Portuguese Studies Program with the goal "to spotlight the crucial and complex but often overlooked experience and contributions of the Portuguese American Community."
- 4) Portuguese Americans continue to thrive in agricultural communities of the San Joaquin Valley, including Hanford and Lemoore in Kings County and Shafter, Wasco, and Bakersfield in Kern County; they have contributed greatly to making market milk the leading agricultural product by value in both Kings and Kern Counties.

#### FISCAL EFFECT: None

#### **REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:**

Support

None on file

#### Opposition

None on file

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

# Introduced by Assembly Member Daly (Coauthors: Assembly Members Travis Allen, Brough, Chang, Harper, Kim, and Wagner)

(Coauthors: Senators Huff, Mendoza, Moorlach, and Nguyen)

May 18, 2015

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 75—Relative to Disneyland Day.

#### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 75, as introduced, Daly. Disneyland Day.

This measure would declare June 1, 2015, as Disneyland Day in recognition of the 60th anniversary of Disneyland.

Fiscal committee: no.

WHEREAS, Disneyland, which is referred to as "the happiest
 place on earth" and has provided time-honored and beloved
 traditions of entertainment to generations of families in California
 and nationwide, will celebrate its 60th anniversary in 2015; and
 WHEREAS, At this time, it is appropriate to draw the special

6 attention of the public to Disneyland and its parent organization

7 the Walt Disney Company for their many contributions to the State

8 of California and beyond; and

9 WHEREAS, Created under the direct supervision of Walt

10 Disney, a creative genius who hoped that it would be a "source of

11 joy and inspiration to all the world," Disneyland has a greater

12 cumulative attendance than any other theme park on the planet,

1	having greeted over 700,000,000 visitors since it opened its doors
2	on July 17, 1955; and

WHEREAS, Walt Disney's original venture in Anaheim has expanded from a single theme park with one hotel into a full-scale resort with two world-class theme parks, approximately 2,500 hotel rooms, 150 restaurants, 85 retail locations, and the resort has grown to become one of the largest single-site employers in Orange

8 County, directly employing 28,000 cast members and generating

9 an economic impact of approximately \$5 billion annually to the

10 southern California economy; and

11 WHEREAS, The creation of Disneyland was possibly the single 12 greatest family entertainment achievement of the 20th century,

13 introducing an entirely new concept in outdoor entertainment and

14 establishing an icon of fun and magic known around the world

15 which continues well into the 21st century; and

16 WHEREAS, The myriad manifestations of the philanthropy 17 embraced by the Walt Disney Company and its 28,000 employees 18 are equally impressive, including when the company exemplifies 19 its humanitarian efforts in response to natural disasters and 20 continuously gives back to the community, whether in California, 21 elsewhere in the United States, or worldwide; and

WHEREAS, As measured for the year 2013 alone, the Walt Disney Company's philanthropy included donations of all kinds valued at\$370 million, and further encompassed, among other kinds of charitable activities, over 667,000 VoluntEARS hours contributed by Disney employees participating in the company's 30-year-old VoluntEARS program, whose efforts in 2013 positively impacted an estimated 4,000,000 families and children; and

29 WHEREAS, On the eve of Disneyland's 60th anniversary, both

30 Walt Disney Company and its world-renowned theme park are 31 worthy of the highest commendations for having improved the

32 quality of life for people not only in California and elsewhere in

33 the United States, but also worldwide by sustaining communities

34 economically and through generous and inspiring philanthropy;

35 now, therefore, be it

36 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate* 

37 thereof concurring, That the Legislature recognizes Disneyland

38 upon the celebration of its 60th anniversary, and commends

39 Disneyland and the Walt Disney Company for their decades-long

- 1 record of enhancing the quality of life for people in California and
- 2 beyond; and be it further
- *Resolved*, That the Legislature declares June 1, 2015, as
  Disneyland Day; and be it further
- 5 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
- 6 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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## ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES Richard Gordon, Chair ACR 75 (Daly) – As Introduced May 18, 2015

#### SUBJECT: Disneyland Day.

**SUMMARY**: Declares June 1, 2015, as Disneyland Day in recognition of the 60th anniversary of Disneyland. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Disneyland, which is referred to as "the happiest place on earth" and has provided timehonored and beloved traditions of entertainment to generations of families in California and nationwide, will celebrate its 60th anniversary in 2015.
- 2) The creation of Disneyland was possibly the single greatest family entertainment achievement of the 20th century, introducing an entirely new concept in outdoor entertainment and stabling an icon of fun and magic known around the word which continues well into the 21st century.
- 3) The myriad manifestations of the philanthropy embraced by the Walt Disney Company and it 28,000 employees are equally impressive, including when the company exemplifies its humanitarian efforts in response to natural disasters and continuously gives back to the community, whether in California, elsewhere in the United States, or worldwide.
- 4) In 2013 alone, the Walt Disney Company's philanthropy included donations of all kinds valued at \$370 million, and further encompassed, among other kinds of charitable activities, over 667,000 VoluntEARS hours contributed by Disney employees participating in the company's 30-year-old VoluntEARS program whose efforts positively impacted an estimated 4,000,000 families and children.

#### FISCAL EFFECT: None

#### **REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:**

#### **Support**

None on file

#### Opposition

None on file

#### AMENDED IN SENATE APRIL 21, 2015

## Senate Concurrent Resolution

#### No. 20

#### Introduced by Senator Galgiani (Coauthors: Senators Anderson, Bates, Block, Hall, Hertzberg, Leno, Monning, Roth, and Vidak)

(Coauthors: Assembly Members Travis Allen, Brough, Chu, Dahle, Dodd, Frazier, Gordon, Grove, Lackey, Linder, and Waldron)

February 23, 2015

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 20—Relative to peace officers.

#### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 20, as amended, Galgiani. California Peace Officers' Memorial Day.

This measure would designate Monday, May 4, 2015, as California Peace Officers' Memorial Day, and would urge all Californians to honor those individuals who have given their lives for our safety and express appreciation to those who continue to dedicate themselves to making California a safer place in which to live and raise our families.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, Monday, May 4, 2015, is California Peace Officers'
- 2 Memorial Day, a day Californians observe in commemoration of
- 3 those noble officers who have tragically sacrificed their lives in
- 4 the line of duty; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Although California citizens are indebted to our
- 6 California peace officers each day of the week, we make particular
- 7 note of their bravery and dedication and we share in their losses
- 8 on California Peace Officers' Memorial Day; and

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1 WHEREAS, California peace officers have a job *that is* second

2 in importance to none, and it is a job that is as difficult and 3 dangerous as it is important; and

4 WHEREAS, The peace officers of California have worked

dutifully and selflessly on behalf of the people of this great state,regardless of the peril or hazard to themselves; and

7 WHEREAS, By the enforcement of our laws, these same officers

8 have safeguarded the lives and property of the citizens of California

- 9 and have given their full measure to ensure these citizens the right
- 10 to be free from crime and violence; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Special ceremonies and observations on behalf of
- 12 California peace officers provide all Californians with the 13 opportunity to appreciate the heroic men and women who have
- 14 dedicated their lives to preserving public safety; now, therefore,
- 15 be it

16 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly* 17 *thereof concurring,* That California's peace officers who were

- 18 killed in defense of their communities in 2014 be recognized:
- 19 Detective Sergeant Tom A. Smith, Jr., BART Police Department,20 End of Watch: January 21, 2014.
- Officer Juan J. Gonzalez, CHP Fresno Area Office, End of
  Watch: February 17, 2014.

Officer Brian M. Law, CHP – Fresno Area Office, End of Watch:
February 17, 2014.

- Officer Nicholas C. Lee, Los Angeles Police Department, Endof Watch: March 7, 2014.
- Deputy Ricky P. Del Fiorentino, Mendocino County Sheriff'sOffice, End of Watch: March 19, 2014.
- Officer Christopher A. Cortijo, Los Angeles Police Department,
  End of Watch: April 9, 2014.
- 31 Officer Roberto C. Sanchez, Los Angeles Police Department, 32 End of Watch: May 3, 2014
- 32 End of Watch: May 3, 2014.
- Officer Scott M. Hewell, Stockton Police Department, End ofWatch: June 11, 2014.
- Officer Jordan J. Corder, Covina Police Department, End ofWatch: September 30, 2014.
- 37 Deputy Danny P. Oliver, Sacramento County Sheriff's
- 38 Department, End of Watch: October 24, 2014.
- 39 Detective Michael D. Davis, Jr., Placer County Sheriff's Office,
- 40 End of Watch: October 24, 2014.

- 1 Detective Yevhen "Eugene" Kostiuchenko, Ventura County 2 Sheriff's Office, End of Watch: October 28, 2014.
- Officer Shaun R. Diamond, Pomona Police Department, End ofWatch: October 29, 2014; and be it further
- 5 *Resolved*, That California's peace officers who were killed in
- 6 defense of their communities in prior years, but not yet enrolled,7 also be recognized:
- 8 Officer Arthur W. Moyle, South San Francisco Police 9 Department, End of Watch: May 4, 1953.
- 10 Officer Clarence A. Bower, Los Angeles County Sheriff's 11 Department, End of Watch: December 5, 1944.
- 12 Officer Robert B. Ross, Los Angeles County Sheriff's 13 Department, End of Watch: September 24, 1921.
- 14 Officer Fran Toal, Vallejo Police Department, End of Watch:
- 15 September 2, 1896.
- 16 Deputy George W. Gillis, Los Angeles County Sheriff's 17 Department: End of Watch, January 12, 1881; and be it further
- *Resolved*, That the California Legislature designates Monday,
- 19 May 4, 2015, as California Peace Officers' Memorial Day, and
- 20 urges all Californians to remember those individuals who have
- 21 given their lives for our safety and express appreciation to those
- 22 who continue to dedicate themselves to making California a safer
- 23 place in which to live and raise our families; and be it further
- 24 *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of
- 25 this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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## ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES Richard Gordon, Chair SCR 20 (Galgiani) – As Amended April 21, 2015

#### SENATE VOTE: 37-0

SUBJECT: California Peace Officers' Memorial Day.

**SUMMARY:** Designates Monday, May 4, 2015, as California Peace Officers' Memorial Day, urges all Californians to remember those individuals who have given their lives for our safety, and expresses appreciation to those who continue to dedicate themselves to making California a safer place in which to live and raise our families. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) May 4, 2015, is California Peace Officers' Memorial Day, a day Californians observe in commemoration of those noble officers who have tragically sacrificed their lives in the line of duty.
- 2) Regardless of the peril or hazard to themselves, the peace officers of California have worked dutifully and selflessly; and, by enforcement of our laws, they have safeguarded the lives and property of California citizens.
- 3) Special ceremonies and observations on behalf of California peace officers provide all Californians with the opportunity to appreciate the heroic men and women who have dedicated their lives to preserving public safety.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

#### **REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:**

Support

None on file

#### Opposition

None on file

Introduced by Senator Leyva

(Coauthors: Senators Allen, Beall, Block, De León, Fuller, Galgiani, Hall, Hancock, Hernandez, Hertzberg, Hill, Hueso, Jackson, Lara, Leno, Liu, McGuire, Mendoza, Mitchell, Monning, Pan, Pavley, Roth, Wieckowski, and Wolk)

April 9, 2015

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 40—Relative to Better Hearing and Speech Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 40, as introduced, Leyva. Better Hearing and Speech Month.

This measure would recognize May 2015 as Better Hearing and Speech Month.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, Each May, Better Hearing and Speech Month 2 provides an opportunity to raise awareness about communication

3 disorders; and

WHEREAS, An estimated 40 million Americans have some type of communication disorder, costing the United States approximately \$154 to \$186 billion annually due to lost work

7 productivity, special education, and medical treatment; and

8 WHEREAS, Eight percent of children under six years of age

9 across the nation have speech and language disorders and one in

10 five children 12 to 19, inclusive, years of age has hearing loss. By

11 the first grade, approximately 5 percent of children have speech

12 or language disorders; and

13 WHEREAS, Thirty-six million American adults report some

14 degree of hearing loss; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Early identification and treatment can enhance the 2 acquisition of functional communication skills; and
- WHEREAS, Engaging parents, educators, and community leaders is of great importance to raise awareness and support those with communication disorders; and
- 6 WHEREAS, In summary, the field of speech-language pathology
- 7 and audiology focuses on the development of all parameters of 8 communication, including swallowing across the age span, and
- 9 addresses the disruption of this development through habilitation,
- rehabilitation, and access in various settings; now, therefore, be it
   *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
- *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature recognizes the month of
- 13 May 2015 as Better Hearing and Speech Month, and that the
- residents of the State of California are encouraged to join together
- 15 in raising awareness and heightening public knowledge of
- 16 communication disorders; and be it further
- 17 *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of
- 18 this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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## ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES Richard Gordon, Chair SCR 40 (Leyva) – As Introduced April 9, 2015

## SENATE VOTE: 34-0

SUBJECT: Better Hearing and Speech Month.

**SUMMARY:** Recognizes May 2015 as Better Hearing and Speech Month. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) An estimated 40 million Americans have some type of communication disorder, costing the United States approximately \$154 to \$186 billion annually due to lost work productivity, special education, and medical treatment.
- 2) Thirty-six million American adults report some degree of hearing loss. Eight percent of children under six years of age across the nation have speech and language disorders and one in five children age 12 to 19 have hearing loss and by first grade, approximately 5 percent of children have speech or language disorders.
- 3) Better Hearing and Speech Month provides an opportunity to raise awareness about communication disorders and early identification and treatment can enhance the acquisition of functional communication skills.
- 4) Engaging parents, educators, and community leaders is of great importance to raise awareness and support those with communication disorders.

## FISCAL EFFECT: None

## **REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:**

#### Support

California Speech-Language-Hearing Association

#### **Opposition**

None on file



May 26, 2015

Hon. Richard S. Gordon Chair, Assembly Rules Committee The State Capitol Sacramento, CA 95814

#### Subject: SCR 40 (Leyva) – Honoring Better Hearing & Speech Month

Dear Chairman Gordon:

The California Speech-Language-Hearing Association (CSHA) is pleased to sponsor Senate Concurrent Resolution (SCR) 40 which honors Better Hearing & Speech Month (BHSM)<sup>1</sup>. SCR 40 also discusses how speech and hearing professionals – speech-language pathologists (SLPs), speech-language pathology assistants (SLPAs) and audiologists – help people lead better lives.

CSHA is the professional, non-profit association organized to promote speech and hearing to children and adults with communication and related disorders . . . and represents SLPs, SLPAs, audiologists and families with communication and related disorders.

As a person who stutters, and a consumer of speech therapy services for most of my life, I consider myself a "consumer expert" on the breadth and scope of therapies provided by speech and hearing professionals. However, since representing CSHA I learn of new areas and disorders the speech and hearing profession is moving into with each CSHA meeting I attend. The speech and hearing profession is truly a dynamic field, the practice of which is continually evolving to include more sophisticated and helpful therapies.

CSHA urges support for SCR 40 . . . if you have any questions or comments regarding this letter, please contact Bill Barnaby Jr. at <u>wbarnaby@csha.org</u>, or (916) 448-1125.

Respectfully submitted,

William E. Barnaby III, Esq., MBA

General Counsel/Lobbyist

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<sup>1</sup> http://www.asha.org/bhsm/

## Introduced by Senator Galgiani (Principal coauthor: Senator Block) (Coauthors: Senators Bates, Hall, Hertzberg, Hill, Jackson, Leno, Monning, Pavley, and Vidak)

(Coauthors: Assembly Members Travis Allen, Atkins, Chu, Cooper, Dodd, Cristina Garcia, Kim, Lackey, Low, and Olsen)

April 20, 2015

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 43—Relative to sexual assault.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 43, as introduced, Galgiani. Sexual Assault Awareness Month: Denim Day California.

This measure would designate the month of April 2015 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month, and would recognize April 29, 2015, as Denim Day California.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, In 2012, California rape crisis centers provided 2 direct crisis intervention services to 30,490 individuals, provided 3 6,782 sexual assault forensic examinations, and provided

4 community education services for almost 133,000 people; and

5 WHEREAS, Women, children, and men are all victims of sexual

6 assault, and it is estimated that nearly one in two women and one

7 in five men experience sexual violence other than rape throughout

8 their lifetime; and

9 WHEREAS, The National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence

10 Survey reports that there are over 22 million survivors of rape

11 throughout the United States and two million of those survivors

12 of rape are currently living in the State of California; and

WHEREAS, Rape and sexual assault impact women, children,
 and men of all racial, cultural, and economic backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, Women, children, and men suffer multiple types
of sexual violence, including acquaintance rape, stranger rape,
sexual assault by an intimate partner, gang rape, incest, serial rape,
ritual abuse, sexual harassment, child sexual molestation,
prostitution, pornography, and stalking; and

8 WHEREAS, In addition to the immediate physical and emotional 9 costs, sexual assault may also have severe and long-lasting 10 consequences of post-traumatic stress disorder, substance abuse, 11 major depression, homelessness, eating disorders, and suicide; and

WHEREAS, The federal Centers for Disease Control and
Prevention have identified sexual assault as a significant, costly,
and preventable health issue; and

WHEREAS, A coalition of rape crisis centers and their allies, known as the California Coalition Against Sexual Assault, has emerged to directly confront this crisis with the cooperation of law enforcement agencies, churches, health care providers, and other

helping professionals from California's diverse communities; and
 WHEREAS, It is our responsibility to support all rape survivors

21 by treating them with dignity, compassion, and respect; and

WHEREAS, It is important to recognize the compassion and dedication of the individuals involved in this effort, applaud their commitment, and increase public understanding of this significant problem; and

WHEREAS, It is important to recognize the strength, courage, and challenges of the victims and survivors of sexual assault and their families and friends as they struggle to cope with the reality of sexual assault; and

30 WHEREAS, It is important to recognize that not all victims of

sexual assault survive, either at the time of the assault or later, dueto the horrific long-term trauma that sexual assault often inflicts

33 upon victims; and

34 WHEREAS, There are rape prevention and education efforts 35 underway throughout California to challenge the societal myths

35 underway throughout California to challenge the societal myths 36 and behaviors that perpetuate rape and to engage communities in 27 a common cool of an ding convol cocord, and

37 a common goal of ending sexual assault; and

38 WHEREAS, It is crucially important to hold perpetrators

39 responsible for sexual attacks, and to prevent sexual violence at

40 every opportunity; and

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1 WHEREAS, In 1998, the Italian Supreme Court overturned the 2 conviction of a man who sexually assaulted an 18-year-old woman 3 after the court determined that, "because the victim wore very, 4 very tight jeans, she had to help him remove them, and by removing 5 the jeans it was no longer rape but consensual sex"; and

6 WHEREAS, Enraged by the court decision, within a matter of 7 hours, the women in the Italian Parliament launched into immediate 8 action and protested by wearing jeans to work; and

9 WHEREAS, Nations and states throughout the world have 10 followed the lead of the Italian Parliament by designating their

own "Denim Day" to raise public awareness about rape and sexual assault; and

WHEREAS, Harmful attitudes about rape and sexual assault
allow these crimes to persist and allow survivors to be revictimized
through victim-blaming attitudes and unresponsive government
systems; and

WHEREAS, California is a national leader within the judicial,
 criminal justice, medical, rape crisis, and health communities in
 promoting victim-centered approaches to victims of crime; now,

20 therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly
 thereof concurring, That the Legislature designates the month of

April 2015 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month; and be it further
 *Resolved*, That the Legislature recognizes April 29, 2015, as

25 Denim Day California and encourages everyone to wear jeans on

that day to help communicate the message that there is no excuse

27 for, and never an invitation to commit, rape; 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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## ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES Richard Gordon, Chair SCR 43 (Galgiani) – As Introduced April 20, 2015

#### SENATE VOTE: 35-0

SUBJECT: Sexual Assault Awareness Month: Denim Day California.

**SUMMARY:** Designates the month of April 2015 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month; recognizes April 29, 2015 as Denim Day California; and, encourages everyone to wear jeans on that day to help communicate the message that there is no excuse for, and never an invitation to commit rape. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) In 2012, California rape crisis centers provided direct crisis intervention services to 30,490 individuals, provided 6,782 sexual assault forensic examinations, and provided community education services for almost 133,000 people.
- 2) The National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Survey reports that there are more than 22 million survivors of rape in the United States; and, 2 million of those survivors live in California impacting women, children, and men of all racial and economic backgrounds.
- 3) Denim Day has been designated to bring awareness about rape and sexual assault; and, rape prevention and education efforts are underway in California to challenge the societal myths and behaviors that perpetuate rape and to engage communities in a common goal of ending sexual assault.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

#### **REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:**

Support

None on file

#### **Opposition**

None on file

#### **Introduced by Senator Nielsen**

April 20, 2015

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 44—Relative to Crime Victims' Rights Week.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 44, as introduced, Nielsen. Crime Victims' Rights Week. This measure would declare the week of April 19, 2015, to April 25, 2015, inclusive, as Crime Victims' Rights Week.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, Violent crime continues to exist in California, and

- 2 crime in one part of the state, or crime against one person, affects
- 3 our entire sense of well-being; and

4 WHEREAS, All Californians are affected by crime, not just the 5 victims of violent crime; and

6 WHEREAS, The most effective aid that can be provided to 7 victims of crime is to prevent crime from happening in the first

- 8 place; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Since 1981, National Crime Victims' Rights Week

10 has raised awareness of the special needs of crime victims; and

WHEREAS, This year, the theme for this week is "EngagingCommunities. Empowering Victims"; and

13 WHEREAS, 2015 is a landmark year for crime victims and 14 survivors, as well as those who serve them; and

15 WHEREAS, The respect and protection of victims' rights within

16 the legal process is one of the most critical components of an

17 effective criminal justice system; and

1 WHEREAS, Victims and witnesses of crime require special 2 attention to ensure that they are thoroughly informed about, and 3 effectively participate in, the criminal justice system; and

4 WHEREAS, To the maximum extent allowed by law, victims 5 of violent crime should receive compensation for their losses; and

6 WHEREAS, Each day thousands of victims and witnesses 7 receive assistance from victim support organizations, 8 victim-witness assistance centers, private service providers, and 9 state and local governments; and

10 WHEREAS, The criminal justice system in this state must persist

in its effort to better coordinate and improve the quality of servicesprovided to victims and witnesses; and

13 WHEREAS, California citizens enshrined victims' rights in the

14 California Constitution in 1982 through the passage of Proposition15 8, the Crime Victims' Bill of Rights; and

16 WHEREAS, California citizens reaffirmed and afforded

additional rights to victims in the California Constitution and inCalifornia law in 2008 through the passage of Proposition 9, the

19 Victims' Bill of Rights Act of 2008: Marsy's Law; and

20 WHEREAS, Each year, the observance of National Crime

21 Victims' Rights Week focuses on the problems confronting victims

22 of crime and the services available to support these victims; and

23 WHEREAS, The remembrances observed during National Crime

24 Victims' Rights Week promote awareness of victims' issues and

25 acknowledge the combined efforts of citizens, the government,

26 and the criminal justice system to improve victims' services in 27 California: now, therefore, ha it

27 California; now, therefore, be it

28 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly* 

29 thereof concurring, That the Legislature hereby recognizes the

30 week of April 19, 2015, through April 25, 2015, inclusive, as Crime

31 Victims' Rights Week in California; and be it further

32 *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of

33 this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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## ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES Richard Gordon, Chair SCR 44 (Nielsen) – As Introduced April 20, 2015

#### SENATE VOTE: 37-0

SUBJECT: Crime Victims' Rights Week.

**SUMMARY**: Recognizes the week of April 19 to April 25, 2015, inclusive, as Crime Victims' Rights Week in California. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Since 1981, National Crime Victims' Rights Week has raised awareness of the special needs of crime victims and the services available to support these victims; and this year, the theme is "Engaging Communities. Empowering Victims."
- 2) California citizens protected victims' rights in 1982 through the passage of Proposition 8, the Crime Victims' Bill of Rights; and California citizens reaffirmed and afforded additional rights to victims in 2008 through the passage of Proposition 9, the Victims' Bill of Rights Act of 2008: Marsy's Law.
- 3) The respect and protection of victims' rights within the legal process is one of the most critical components of an effective criminal justice system; and the criminal justice system in this state must persist in its effort to better coordinate and improve the quality of services provided to victims and witnesses.
- 4) To the maximum extent allowed by law, victims of violent crime should receive compensation for their losses; and each day thousands of victims and witnesses receive assistance from victim support organizations, victim-witness assistance centers, private service providers, and state and local governments.

#### FISCAL EFFECT: None

#### **REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:**

#### Support

None on file

#### **Opposition**

None on file

#### AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY MAY 26, 2015

**Senate Concurrent Resolution** 

No. 52

#### Introduced by Senators Huff and Nguyen (Coauthors: Senators Anderson, Bates, Block, Hall, Leno, Nielsen, and Vidak) (Coauthors: Assembly Members-Chang Chang, Dodd, and Kim)

April 30, 2015

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 52—Relative to Asian and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month.

#### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 52, as amended, Huff. Asian and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month.

This measure would recognize May 2015 as Asian and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, One of the earliest records of Asian and Pacific
- 2 Islander Americans in North America dates back to 1763 in what
- 3 is now known as New Orleans, Louisiana, where Filipino sailors
- 4 who worked the Manila-Acapulco-trade route *Galleon Trade route* 5 settled; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Asian and Pacific Islander Americans have made
- 7 indelible contributions to the history of California and the United
- 8 States that include, but are not limited to, building the
- 9 Transcontinental Railroad, serving honorably in the Armed Forces,
- 10 fighting for the United States in foreign wars, and advocating for
- 11 civil rights; and

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1 WHEREAS, Asian and Pacific Islander Americans have endured 2 hardships, including unjust working conditions, prejudice, and 3 discrimination, in some of the darkest times in our state's and 4 nation's history, including the Chinese Exclusion Act, naturalized 5 citizenship ineligibility, the Alien Land-Law, antimiscegenation 6 *Laws, anti-miscegenation* laws, and Japanese internment; and

7 WHEREAS, Asian and Pacific Islander Americans continue to

8 cultivate, advance, and lead in the fields of art, fashion, business,

9 technology, education, science, government, law, humanities,10 medicine, sports, and entertainment; and

11 WHEREAS, California is home to over <u>5.8 million</u> 6 million

Asian and Pacific Islander Americans, more than any other state,and Asian and Pacific Islander Americans are one of the fastest

14 growing ethnic populations in the state and nation; and

15 WHEREAS, Asian and Pacific Islander Americans constitute 16 16 percent of California's population and represent diverse 17 ancestries that include, but are not limited to, Asian Indian, 18 Bangladeshi, Bhutanese, Burmese, Cambodian, Chamorro,

19 Chinese, Taiwanese, Filipino, Hmong, Indonesian, Iu-Mien, Iwo

20 Jiman, Guamanian, Japanese, Korean, Laotian, Malaysian,

21 Maldivian, Mongolian, Nepalese, Native Hawaiian, Vietnamese,

22 Okinawan, Pakistani, Samoan, Singaporean, Sri Lankan, Thai,

23 Tongan, and other ancestries that may be traced to various Pacific24 Islands; and

WHEREAS, California's Asian and Pacific Islander American
 entrepreneurs are innovative and lead many successful businesses

to the pinnacle of their respective industries nationally and globally,and own over 500,000 businesses in California; and

29 WHEREAS, The California Commission on Asian and Pacific

30 Islander American Affairs was established in 2004 and is charged

31 with advising the Governor, the Legislature, and state agencies on

32 issues relating to the social and economic development, rights,

and interests of California's Asian and Pacific Islander Americancommunities; and

35 WHEREAS, The Legislature has 12 Asian and Pacific Islander

36 Assembly Members and Senators who represent and advocate for

37 the interests of the diverse Asian and Pacific Islander American

38 communities; and

39 WHEREAS, The federal government officially designates May

40 as Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month; and

1 WHEREAS, Celebrating Asian and Pacific Islander American

2 Heritage Month provides Californians with an opportunity to

3 recognize the achievements, contributions, and history of Asian

4 and Pacific Islander Americans; now, therefore, be it

5 Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly

6 thereof concurring, That the Legislature commends Asian and

7 Pacific Islander Americans for their notable accomplishments and

8 contributions to California, and recognizes May 2015 as Asian

9 and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month; and be it further

10 *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of

11 this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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## ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES Richard Gordon, Chair SCR 52 (Huff) – As Amended May 26, 2015

## SENATE VOTE: 38-0

SUBJECT: Asian and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month.

**SUMMARY:** Recognizes May 2015 as Asian and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month and commends Asian and Pacific Islander Americans for their notable accomplishments and contributions to California. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) California is home to over 6 million Asian and Pacific Islander Americans, more than any other state and Asian and Pacific Islander Americans are one of the fastest growing ethnic populations in the state and the nation.
- 2) Asian and Pacific Islander Americans have endured hardships, including unjust working conditions, prejudice, and discrimination in some of the darkest times in our state's and nation's history, including the Chinese Exclusion Act, naturalized citizenship ineligibility, the Alien Land Law, antimiscegenation laws, and Japanese internment.
- 3) Asian and Pacific Islander Americans continue to cultivate, advance, and lead in the fields of art, fashion, business, technology, education, science, government, law, humanities, medicine, sports, and entertainment.
- 4) The California Commission on Asian and Pacific Islander American Affairs was established in 2004 and is charged with advising the Governor, the Legislature, and state agencies on issues relating to the social and economic development, rights and interests of California's Asian and Pacific Islander American communities.

#### FISCAL EFFECT: None

#### **REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:**

#### **Support**

None on file

#### **Opposition**

None on file