

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 249

RESOLUTION CHAPTER 190

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 249—Relative to the 30th Anniversary of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 249, Pavley. Year of Clean Water: Clean Water Month.

This measure would declare the year 2002 as the “Year of Clean Water” and October 2002 as “Clean Water Month,” and would encourage all Californians to recognize the importance of making a personal commitment to do their part to protect water quality and to commit to achieving the goals of the federal Water Pollution Control Act.

WHEREAS, Clean water is an essential natural resource of critical importance to all Californians; and

WHEREAS, Californians strongly support protecting the quality of the state’s watersheds, wetlands, streams, rivers, lakes, groundwater, beaches, and coastal waters; and

WHEREAS, Maintaining and improving water quality is essential to protect public health and to provide a habitat for fish and wildlife; and

WHEREAS, Maintaining and improving water quality is necessary to our economic development and well-being, to promote tourism and its beneficial effects for our economy, to provide recreational activities, to protect fisheries, and to benefit agriculture; and

WHEREAS, Water pollution problems persist and California faces significant challenges to protect the quality of its water resources and watersheds from point and nonpoint sources of pollution; and

WHEREAS, Further development, innovation, and investment in water pollution management practices, water infrastructure, research and technological development, and education programs are necessary and desirable to facilitate water quality protection; and

WHEREAS, October 2002 marks the 30th anniversary of the enactment of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972 (P.L. 92-500), which extensively amended, reorganized, and expanded the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, to its modern form; now, therefore, be it



Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate thereof concurring, That the Legislature, in recognition of the 30th anniversary of the enactment of The Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972, declares the year 2002 the “Year of Clean Water” and declares October 2002 as “Clean Water Month”; and be it further

Resolved, That the Legislature encourages all Californians to recognize the importance of making a personal commitment to do their part to protect water quality and to recommit to achieving the goals of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act; and be it further

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

