

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 78

Introduced by Assembly Member Galgiani

August 15, 2011

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 78—Relative to California Senior Center Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 78, as introduced, Galgiani. California Senior Center Month.

This measure would declare the month of November 2011 as California Senior Center Month in recognition of the importance of senior centers to California's older adult population.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, California is home to more than 700 senior centers
2 that provide a range of information, assistance, and support to the
3 state's older adult population; and
4 WHEREAS, Senior centers serve California's older adult
5 population by providing nutritious meals, health care, educational
6 opportunities, fitness and recreation activities, legal assistance,
7 social opportunities and community involvement, and more; and
8 WHEREAS, Senior centers are a safe and welcoming place
9 where older Californians can feel connected to their community
10 and obtain support; and
11 WHEREAS, Senior centers are a place for retirees to volunteer
12 their services and be recognized for their important contributions;
13 and

1 WHEREAS, Senior centers serve as community shelters during
2 times of natural disaster, providing essential services to the
3 community's older adult population and others; and

4 WHEREAS, In 2009, the California Commission on Aging
5 hosted California's first statewide Senior Center Stakeholder
6 Forum, bringing together senior center leaders and staff to explore
7 the future of senior centers, resource enhancement, community
8 mobilization, and how to engage the "baby boomer" generation;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, The 2009 Senior Center Stakeholder Forum drew
11 partnerships with the California Senior Legislature, the Congress
12 of California Seniors, the Triple-A Council of California, the
13 National Council on Aging, the California Department of Aging,
14 the California Association of Senior Service Centers, the Aging
15 and Activities Section of the California Park and Recreation
16 Society, the California Association of Area Agencies on Aging,
17 the California Association of Park and Recreation Commissioners
18 and Board Members, and the League of California Cities; and

19 WHEREAS, The California Commission on Aging and partner
20 organizations will hold a second Senior Center Forum in November
21 2011, to build on the ongoing interest in senior center innovations
22 and program development; now, therefore, be it

23 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
24 *thereof concurring,* That the Legislature declares the month of
25 November 2011 as California Senior Center Month in recognition
26 of the importance of senior centers to California's older adult
27 population; and be it further

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