

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 116

Introduced by Assembly Member Harkey

February 24, 2012

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 116—Relative to the Sea Scouts Centennial.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 116, as introduced, Harkey. Sea Scouts Centennial.

This measure would congratulate and salute the Sea Scouts on their Centennial for providing leadership and positive opportunities for America's youth.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, Arthur A. Carey founded Sea Scouts in the United
2 States in 1912, with the Boy Scout Training Ship Pioneer in
3 Boston; and

4 WHEREAS, For 100 years Sea Scouts has provided young
5 people with positive opportunities through hands-on maritime
6 experiences; and

7 WHEREAS, Sea Scouts has championed responsible boating
8 to guard against water accidents; and

9 WHEREAS, Sea Scouts has partnered with civic organizations
10 promoting safe boating, environmental conservation, and
11 community service; and

12 WHEREAS, Sea Scouts has inspired California's youth to join
13 maritime industries and competitive sailing; and

14 WHEREAS, Thousands of Sea Scouts have served in the United
15 States military and defended their country, as exemplified by Fleet

1 Admiral Chester W. Nimitz’s statement that 40 percent of the men
2 under his command in World War II had been Sea Scouts and they
3 had won 60 percent of the decorations for valor; and

4 WHEREAS, Sea Scouts is currently a specialized segment of
5 the Boy Scout’s Venturing program for young adult men and
6 women, with the purpose of addressing members’ boating skills
7 and promoting knowledge of our maritime heritage; and

8 WHEREAS, Sea Scouts in California hosts the largest Sea Scout
9 competitive and safety training events in the United States; and

10 WHEREAS, Sea Scout units, called “ships,” focus on sailing
11 and cruising either sailboats or power vessels, whereby Sea Scouts
12 learn to maintain and operate the vessel, with a focus on learning
13 the safe and proper methods of handling boats, as well as learning
14 the meaning of buoys and lights, how to take advantage of wind
15 and tide, and how to drop anchor and approach a dock; now,
16 therefore, be it

17 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
18 *thereof concurring*, That the Members congratulate and salute the
19 Sea Scouts on their Centennial for providing leadership and
20 positive opportunities for America’s youth; and be it further

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