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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2013–14 REGULAR SESSION

**Assembly Concurrent Resolution**

**No. 103**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Fox**

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Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 103—Relative to California Poppy Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 103, as amended, Fox. California Poppy Month.  
This measure would recognize April 2014 as California Poppy Month.  
Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, On April 26 and 27, 2014, the Antelope Valley
- 2 will host the California Poppy Festival, an annual event to celebrate
- 3 the state's most colorful visitor, the California poppy; and
- 4 WHEREAS, The California poppy is the official flower of the
- 5 State of California; and

1 WHEREAS, The California Poppy Reserve is located in the  
2 Antelope Valley and was designated as a state reserve to emphasize  
3 the strict protection of a specific resource, the California poppy,  
4 by making available significant displays of blooming poppies and  
5 associated wildflowers for the public to enjoy; and

6 WHEREAS, The poppy has always symbolized California's  
7 good life, as its color mirrors California's climate and charm, and  
8 the profusion of its blooms reflects the richness of the Golden  
9 State; and

10 WHEREAS, Many cultures and people in history have used the  
11 poppy in their legends and folklore; and

12 WHEREAS, In Native American history, the Great Spirit sent  
13 the Fire Flower to drive away the evils of frost and famine, and to  
14 fill the land with warmth and plenty; and

15 WHEREAS, For the Spanish, the poppy was an omen, a promise  
16 that California was rich and fertile, and they called it Copa de Oro,  
17 the cup of gold; and

18 WHEREAS, To the miners of the Gold Rush of 1849, the poppy  
19 was a symbol of gold, since the flower and metal shared a common  
20 color and both were abundant; and

21 WHEREAS, The Antelope Valley shares a common commitment  
22 to promote among the residents of the State of California an  
23 appreciation of the California poppy through tourism and  
24 educational opportunities; now, therefore, be it

25 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*  
26 *thereof concurring, That the Legislature hereby recognizes April*  
27 *2014 as California Poppy Month.*

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