Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 115

Introduced by Assembly Member Ian Calderon

February 25, 2014

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 115—Relative to California Museum Month.

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ACR 115, as introduced, Ian Calderon. California Museum Month. This measure would recognize the essential role that museums have in the State of California as educational institutions and would proclaim May 2014 as California Museum Month.

Fiscal committee: no.

WHEREAS, California is home to over 1,400 museums that are located in every county and region throughout the state and serve millions of visitors annually; and

WHEREAS, California museums represent a multitude of learning experiences, including art museums, zoos, aquaria, historical societies, science centers, botanical gardens, children’s museums, and cultural centers; and

WHEREAS, California museums help the state meet its obligations in the field of education by serving over 2 million schoolchildren in kindergarten and grades 1 to 12, inclusive, and over 1 million college and university students per year through field trips and outreach programs; and

WHEREAS, Two-thirds of California museums partner with schools and school districts to provide valuable and relevant

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educational programs that serve their local students and enhance
instruction provided by the public sector; and
WHEREAS, Americans view museums as one of the most
trustworthy sources of objective information, and, after their
families, the most significant in creating a strong connection to
the past; and
WHEREAS, California museums foster dialogue, inspire
utilization of critical thinking skills, and support exploration to
advance knowledge, understanding, and appreciation of history,
science, the arts, and the natural world; and
WHEREAS, California museums, through exhibitions and
programs, provide access to educational opportunities, exciting
and hands-on learning experiences, information, and the cultural
and natural heritage that define us as a state; and
WHEREAS, California museums provide a spark that inspires
the future generations of scientists, artists, politicians, historians,
and entrepreneurs; and
WHEREAS, The California Association of Museums has served
to bring important recognition of this commemorative month and
invites all museums, museum service organizations, California
residents, and local governments to use this milestone to recognize
and celebrate the essential role California museums play as
educational institutions as they serve communities, the nation, and
the world; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate
thereof concurring, That the Legislature recognizes the essential
role that museums have in the State of California as educational
institutions and proclaims May 2014 as California Museum Month;
and be it further

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