

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 118

RESOLUTION CHAPTER 120

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 118, Anderson. Military sacrifice: remembrance.

This measure would encourage the people of California to honor our war dead on the 21st day of each month by flying the flag of the United States at halfstaff in remembrance and in honor of all those who have given their lives in military service in war and by pausing for a moment of silence for 21 seconds to honor our fallen heroes.

WHEREAS, Some 1.4 million American veterans have given their lives in the various wars in defense of freedom; and

WHEREAS, California and the nation should honor their service and sacrifice in perpetuity; and

WHEREAS, The highest salute our nation can bestow on our military or public officials, including the President of the United States, is formally known as the "21 Gun Salute," and taking a 21 second moment of silence is an appropriate way to honor our fallen soldiers; and

WHEREAS, Out of the 31,536,000 seconds in a calendar year, 252 seconds of each year shall be utilized to honor Americans who have given their lives defending freedom for a 21 second moment of silence each month, which would help this and future generations to understand and respect the sacrifice made by veterans who have given their lives; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly thereof concurring, That the Legislature encourages the people of California to honor our war dead on the 21st day of each month by flying the flag of the United States at halfstaff in remembrance and in honor of all those who have given their lives in military service in war and by pausing for a moment of silence for 21 seconds to honor our fallen heroes; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.