

**House Resolution**

**No. 27**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Jones-Sawyer**

July 6, 2015

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House Resolution No. 27—Relative to the 2015 Special Olympics World Games.

1 WHEREAS, The Special Olympics is a nonprofit organization  
2 that serves over 4.4 million athletes around the world every year;  
3 and  
4 WHEREAS, The City of Los Angeles will serve as host to the  
5 2015 Special Olympics World Games from July 25, 2015, through  
6 August 2, 2015; and  
7 WHEREAS, The City of Los Angeles will welcome more than  
8 7,000 Special Olympics athletes from 170 nations to compete in  
9 25 Olympic-type sports; and  
10 WHEREAS, Leading up to the Opening Ceremony, an  
11 international team of approximately 140 law enforcement runners  
12 and Special Olympics athletes will carry a torch, known as the  
13 “Flame of Hope,” throughout the state of California to spread the  
14 message of Special Olympics; and  
15 WHEREAS, The Flame of Hope’s journey will begin at the  
16 State Capitol in Sacramento and will end at the Los Angeles  
17 Memorial Coliseum in Los Angeles 13 days later; and  
18 WHEREAS, The Flame of Hope will pass through scores of  
19 cities, towns, and communities throughout California to promote  
20 and celebrate the Special Olympics’ important message of  
21 acceptance and inclusion worldwide; and  
22 WHEREAS, The 2015 Special Olympics World Games unites  
23 the world through sports in a celebration of the abilities and

1 accomplishments of people with intellectual and physical  
2 disabilities; now, therefore, be it  
3     *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the  
4 Assembly recognizes the honor and privilege for the State of  
5 California to host the 2015 Special Olympics World Games; and  
6 be it further  
7     *Resolved*, That the Assembly welcomes and embraces all athletes  
8 participating in the 2015 Special Olympics World Games; and be  
9 it further  
10     *Resolved*, That California state agencies and departments are  
11 hereby encouraged to provide any necessary assistance and support  
12 to ensure the safety and success of the 2015 Special Olympics  
13 World Games; and be it further  
14     *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies  
15 of this resolution to the Governor, and to the author for appropriate  
16 distribution throughout the state.

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