## **Introduced by Assembly Member O'Donnell**

February 11, 2016

House Resolution No. 36—Relative to Read Across America Day.

- WHEREAS, Reading is the building block to learning and the foundation for future success; and
- WHEREAS, In 1998, the National Education Association celebrated the "Read Across America" campaign to raise awareness about the importance of reading; and
- WHEREAS, The California Teachers Association celebrates "Read Across America" and the positive impact it has made in the schools and the State of California; and
- 9 WHEREAS, "Read Across America" is a national celebration 10 of reading that promotes literacy, reading, and adult involvement 11 in the education of pupils, and will be celebrated on March 2 in 12 honor of Dr. Seuss's birthday; and
  - WHEREAS, To celebrate the joy of reading, pupils, parents, teachers, sports figures, celebrities, firefighters, and business and community leaders are taking part in "Read Across America" events throughout the nation; and
- WHEREAS, On March 2, 2016, the National Education Association, the California Teachers Association, local schools, libraries, bookstores, businesses, and other community organizations will commemorate "Read Across America Day";
- 21 now, therefore, be it

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- 22 Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, That the
- 23 Assembly joins the California Teachers Association in recognizing
- 24 March 2, 2016, as "Read Across America Day"; and be it further

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- *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution. 1