Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 136

Introduced by Assembly Member Calderon (Coauthor: Assembly Member Gonzalez)

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Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 136—Relative to Red Ribbon Week.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 136, as introduced, Calderon. Red Ribbon Week.

This measure would proclaim October 23 to October 29, 2016, as Red Ribbon Week, and would encourage all Californians to help build drug-free communities and participate in drug prevention activities.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, Californians for Drug-Free Youth, Inc. (CADFY),

2 a statewide parent-community organization, the office of the

3 Governor, the office of the Attorney General, the State Department

4 of Education, the California Parent Teacher Association, and over

5 100 other statewide agencies, departments, and organizations have

6 been strong advocates for Red Ribbon Week; and

7 WHEREAS, The National Family Partnership, Inc., initiated

8 the Red Ribbon Campaign after Drug Enforcement Administration

9 Agent Enrique "Kiki" Camarena was killed in Mexico by drug

10 traffickers in 1985; and

11 WHEREAS, Parents, youths, schools, businesses, law

12 enforcement, religious institutions, service organizations, senior

13 citizens, medical and military personnel, sports teams, and others

14 concerned about the effects of drugs on our communities will

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- 1 demonstrate their commitment to drug-free, healthy lifestyles by
- 2 wearing and displaying red ribbons during this weeklong 3 celebration; and
- 4 WHEREAS, The theme of this year's effort is "_____"; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Securing a safe and healthy future for our children 6 is directly threatened by drug abuse, and awareness of this problem
- 7 will help individuals in fighting drug abuse; and
- 8 WHEREAS, The objective of Red Ribbon Week 2016 will be
- 9 to promote this view through drug prevention, education, parental10 involvement, and communitywide support; and
- WHEREAS, The Assembly of the State of California has furthercommitted its resources to ensure the success of the Red Ribbon
- 12 committed its resources to ensure the success of13 Week celebration; now, therefore, be it
- 14 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
- 15 thereof concurring, That the Legislature hereby proclaims its
- 16 support for the Red Ribbon Week celebration by proclaiming the
- period of October 23 to 29, 2016, inclusive, as Red Ribbon Week;and be it further
- 18 and be it further
- 19 *Resolved*, That the Legislature encourages all Californians to
- 20 help build drug-free communities and to participate in drug 21 prevention activities by making a visible statement that we are
- 21 prevention activities by making a visible statement that we are 22 firmly committed to healthy, productive, and drug-free lifestyles;
- and be it further
- 24 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
- 25 of this resolution to the Governor, and to the author for appropriate
- 26 distribution throughout the state.

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