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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2015–16 REGULAR SESSION

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 200

Introduced by Assembly Member Lopez

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August 10, 2016

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 200—Relative to Parent Advocacy Day.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 200, as amended, Lopez. Parent Advocacy Day.

This measure would proclaim September 28, 2016, as Parent Advocacy Day.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, A critical dimension of effective schooling is
- 2 parental involvement; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Research has shown conclusively that parent
- 4 involvement in a child's education at home improves pupil

1 achievement, and when a parent is involved at school, his or her
2 child goes farther in school; and

3 WHEREAS, Regardless of family income or background, pupils
4 with involved parents are more likely to have higher grades and
5 test scores, attend school regularly, have better social skills, show
6 improved behavior, and adapt well to school; and

7 WHEREAS, The most accurate predictors of pupil achievement
8 in school are not family income or social status but the extent to
9 which the family creates a home environment that encourages
10 learning, communicates high yet reasonable expectations for the
11 child's achievement, and becomes involved in the child's education
12 at school; and

13 WHEREAS, When a parent is involved in school, the
14 performance of all children at school, not just the parent's child,
15 tends to improve, and the more comprehensive and well planned
16 the partnership between school and home, the higher the pupil
17 achievement; and

18 WHEREAS, California's school funding system, the Local
19 Control Funding Formula, requires all school districts to involve
20 parents in planning, decision making, and developing and
21 reviewing local control and accountability plans; and

22 WHEREAS, The State Board of Education recognizes that a
23 child's education is a responsibility shared by school and family
24 during the entire period the child spends in school, and it is
25 important that school districts and schools, in collaboration with
26 parents, teachers, pupils, and school administrators, establish and
27 develop efforts that enhance parent involvement and reflect the
28 needs of pupils and families in the communities in which they
29 serve; and

30 WHEREAS, Parent involvement is fundamental to a healthy
31 system of public education and parent involvement roles require
32 a statewide effort that has the support and recognition of all; now,
33 therefore, be it

34 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
35 *thereof concurring,* That the Legislature hereby proclaims
36 September 28, 2016, as Parent Advocacy Day in recognition of
37 parental involvement in pupils' success; and be it further

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

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