

Introduced by Senator Nielsen

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Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 138—Relative to state park rangers.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 138, as introduced, Nielsen. State park rangers.

This measure would recognize 2016 as the 150-year anniversary of public service and protection of state parks by state park rangers and would encourage the Department of Parks and Recreation, the California State Park Rangers Association, and the California State Parks Anniversary Committee to take all appropriate action to celebrate that anniversary.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, Galen Clark was appointed “Guardian” of Yosemite
2 State Park in 1866, at California’s first state park, Yosemite,
3 established in 1866 by federal legislation signed by President
4 Abraham Lincoln; and

5 WHEREAS, State park rangers, whose titles have variously
6 been “ranger,” “guardian,” “warden,” “custodian,” or
7 “superintendent,” have continuously served the public and
8 protected the state parks since that first appointment; and

1 WHEREAS, 2016 will mark the 150-year anniversary of service
2 to the public and protection of state parks by state park rangers;
3 and

4 WHEREAS, The Department of Parks and Recreation, the
5 California State Park Rangers Association, the California State
6 Parks Anniversary Committee, and the State Park and Recreation
7 Commission have formally recognized and are supporting the
8 celebration of the 150-year anniversary; now, therefore, be it

9 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
10 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature recognizes and commends
11 state park rangers for their long and faithful service to the public
12 and protection of state parks; and be it further

13 *Resolved*, That 2016 is recognized as the 150-year anniversary
14 of public service and protection of state parks by state park rangers;
15 and be it further

16 *Resolved*, That the Department of Parks and Recreation, the
17 California State Park Rangers Association, and the California State
18 Parks Anniversary Committee are encouraged to take all
19 appropriate action to celebrate the 150-year anniversary; and be
20 it further

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