

Assembly Joint Resolution No. 49

RESOLUTION CHAPTER 128

Assembly Joint Resolution No. 49—Relative to National Historic Landmarks.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AJR 49, Morrow. National Historic Landmarks: Mission San Juan Capistrano.

This measure would memorialize the Secretary of the Interior to consider the nomination of Mission San Juan Capistrano for designation as a National Historic Landmark.

WHEREAS, Mission San Juan Capistrano possesses exceptional historic value in illustrating and interpreting events that resulted in the early exploration, settlement, and annexation of California to the United States; and

WHEREAS, Mission San Juan Capistrano embodies the architectural characteristics and distinguishing features of early California Mission style of architecture; and

WHEREAS, Founded November 1, 1776, the mission is the seventh in the California mission chain and the centerpiece of San Juan Capistrano's downtown; and

WHEREAS, The integrity and authenticity of the buildings and site features at Mission San Juan Capistrano collectively compose an entity of historic value; and

WHEREAS, The "Jewel of the Missions" occupies a 10-acre site and includes the beautiful central courtyard and numerous museum rooms and displays that bring the Spanish and prehistory eras to life; and

WHEREAS, The mission grounds are host to Serra Chapel, one of the oldest buildings in California, the ruins of the Great Stone Church, and other historic buildings; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly and Senate of the State of California, jointly, That the Legislature of the State of California supports the efforts of Mission San Juan Capistrano to achieve recognition as a National Historic Landmark; and be it further

Resolved, That the Legislature respectfully memorializes the Secretary of the Interior to consider the nomination of Mission San Juan Capistrano for designation as a National Historic Landmark; and be it further

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies of this resolution to the Secretary of the Interior.

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