

AMENDED IN SENATE JUNE 11, 1998

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY JUNE 8, 1998

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—1997–98 REGULAR SESSION

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 168

Introduced by Assembly Member Cardoza

(Principal coauthor: Senator Costa)

(Coauthors: Assembly Members Brown, Machado, Thomson, Ackerman, Aguiar, Alby, Alquist, Aroner, Ashburn, Baca, Battin, Bordonaro, Bowen, Bowler, Bustamante, Campbell, Cardenas, Cedillo, Cunneen, Davis, Ducheny, Figueroa, Firestone, Frusetta, Goldsmith, Havice, Hertzberg, House, Kaloogian, Keeley, Kuehl, Kuykendall, Leach, Lempert, Leonard, Martinez, Mazzoni, McClintock, Migden, Miller, Morrissey, Murray, Olberg, Oller, Ortiz, Papan, Perata, Poochigian, Prenter, Pringle, Runner, Scott, Shelley, Strom-Martin, Sweeney, Takasugi, Thompson, Torlakson, Villaraigosa, Vincent, Washington, Wayne, Wildman, and Woods)

(Coauthor: Senator Monteith)

June 4, 1998

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 168—Relative to June is Dairy Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 168, as amended, Cardoza. June is Dairy Month.

This measure would proclaim the month of June 1998, as "June is Dairy Month."

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, “June is Dairy Month” is a national event
2 with special meaning for Californians who enjoy the
3 benefits of living in the top milk-producing state in the
4 nation; and

5 WHEREAS, Dairy products are the largest of the 250
6 agricultural commodities produced in California,
7 generating over \$3 billion in sales annually; and

8 WHEREAS, California produces a wide variety of high
9 quality milk products, such as cheese, butter, ice cream,
10 yogurt, cottage cheese, sour cream, and powdered milk,
11 and has been the number one dairy state in the nation
12 since 1994; and

13 WHEREAS, In California the production of dairy
14 products continues to set new growth records; and

15 WHEREAS, In 1997, the 2,300 hardworking dairy
16 families in the Golden State increased milk production to
17 a record 27.579 billion pounds, an increase of 6.8 percent
18 over 1996, and cheese production increased by 38 percent
19 in the five years from 1993 to 1997; and

20 WHEREAS, Nearly 40 percent of California’s milk
21 supply is used for cheese production, producing over 120
22 varieties and types of cheese, up from 70 varieties three
23 years ago; and

24 WHEREAS, In addition to traditional cheese, the
25 number of specialty cheeses produced in California has
26 increased by 70 percent in the past three years; and

27 WHEREAS, Nearly all the cheese produced in
28 California has been qualified to carry the Real California
29 Cheese seal, which guarantees consumers that the cheese
30 is all natural, made from California cows’ milk, and is
31 produced according to stringent production standards;
32 and

33 WHEREAS, Consumers look for the Real California
34 Cheese seal because it represents quality; and

35 WHEREAS, California’s production of nonfat dry milk
36 accounts for one-third of the country’s nonfat dry milk
37 supply, and the Golden State is the largest producer of
38 nonfat dry milk in the world; and



1 WHEREAS, Nonfat dry milk is an ideal world trade
2 product due to economic shipping and a long shelf life,
3 and is another example of how dairy products contribute
4 to the agricultural economy of the state; and

5 WHEREAS, Milk is a valuable food that is considered
6 a necessary part of good health and a balanced diet; and

7 WHEREAS, California milk provides the best source of
8 absorbable calcium, and one serving provides the highest
9 content of essential vitamins and minerals such as
10 magnesium, potassium, protein, riboflavin, and vitamins
11 A, D, and B-12; now, therefore, be it

12 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the*
13 *Senate thereof concurring,* That the month of June 1998,
14 is hereby proclaimed “June is Dairy Month”; and be it
15 further

16 *Resolved,* That all Californians are encouraged to
17 proudly celebrate the state’s success as the largest
18 producer of dairy products in the nation; to recognize the
19 unprecedented growth and innovations by the industry,
20 making it a valuable asset to the state’s business and trade
21 economy; and to laud the industry’s ongoing
22 commitment to quality and the production of food
23 sources that are wholesome, rich in vitamins and
24 minerals, and that continue to remain popular over time;
25 and be it further

26 *Resolved,* That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly shall
27 transmit copies of this resolution to the author for
28 appropriate distribution.

