

**Assembly Concurrent Resolution**

**No. 22**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Mendoza**

February 10, 2009

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Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 22—Relative to Read Across America Day.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 22, as introduced, Mendoza. Read Across America Day.

This measure would recognize March 2, 2009, as Read Across America Day.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, Reading is the building block to learning, and is  
2 the foundation for future success; and

3 WHEREAS, In 1998, the National Education Association started  
4 its “Read Across America” campaign to encourage children to  
5 read every day and to raise awareness about the importance of  
6 reading; and

7 WHEREAS, The California Teachers Association celebrates  
8 “Read Across America” and the positive impact it has made in the  
9 schools and the State of California; and

10 WHEREAS, “Read Across America” is a national celebration  
11 of reading on March 2 in honor of Dr. Seuss’s birthday that  
12 promotes literacy, reading, and adult involvement in the education  
13 of pupils; and

14 WHEREAS, The theme of this year’s event, “Reading Is Cool”  
15 reminds children of all ages that learning to read is fun and one of  
16 the most important things they will learn to do; and

1 WHEREAS, Pupils, parents, teachers, sports figures, celebrities,  
2 firefighters, and business and community leaders are taking part  
3 in “Read Across America” events to celebrate the joy of reading;  
4 and

5 WHEREAS, On March 2, 2009, the National Education  
6 Association, the California Teachers Association, local schools,  
7 libraries, bookstores, businesses, and other community  
8 organizations will commemorate “Read Across America Day”;  
9 now, therefore, be it

10 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*  
11 *thereof concurring,* That the Legislature joins the California  
12 Teachers Association in recognizing March 2, 2009, as “Read  
13 Across America Day”; and be it further

14 *Resolved,* That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies  
15 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.