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No. 115

Introduced by Assembly Member Wieckowski

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Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 115—Relative to India's Independence Day.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 115, as amended, Wieckowski. India's Independence Day.

This measure would proclaim August 15, 2012, as India's Independence Day, and would urge all Californians to join in celebrating India's independence.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, On August 15, 1947, at the stroke of midnight, the
2 first Prime Minister of India, Jawaharlal Nehru, gave his famous
3 Tryst with Destiny speech proclaiming India's independence; and

4 WHEREAS, The Tryst with Destiny speech is considered to be
5 one of the greatest speeches of all time, which captured the essence
6 of the 100-year nonviolent Indian freedom struggle against British
7 colonial rule in India; and

8 WHEREAS, India's Independence Day is one of the most
9 important national holidays in India. The biggest event of the day
10 takes place in Delhi where the Prime Minister hoists the national
11 flag at the Red Fort, delivers a nationally televised speech that
12 highlights the achievements of the government, discusses current
13 issues and future plans for progress, and pays tribute to the leaders
14 of India's struggle for freedom; and

15 WHEREAS, India's Independence Day is celebrated on August
16 15 of each year to commemorate its independence. It is one of the
17 most important national holidays in India, which was celebrated
18 by 400 million Indians in 1947 and today is celebrated by a billion
19 people living in India, and many people living in other parts of the
20 world, including California, which is home to the largest population
21 of Asian Indians in the United States; now, therefore, be it

22 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
23 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature hereby proclaims August
24 15, 2012, as India's Independence Day, and urges all Californians
25 to join in celebrating India's independence; and be it further

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