

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 158

Introduced by Assembly Member John A. Pérez

May 21, 2012

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 158—Relative to the United States Constitution.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 158, as introduced, John A. Pérez. United States Constitution: anniversary.

This measure would commemorate the 225th anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States, and would commend the contributions made by members of patriotic organizations in promoting patriotism and the values embodied in the Constitution of the United States.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, The American Revolution secured the
2 independence of the United States of America, and made possible
3 the vibrant system of self-government of the United States; and
4 WHEREAS, The supporters of the American Revolution,
5 through their vision and determination, enhanced the lives of
6 countless individuals and made possible the system of equal justice,
7 limited government, and the rule of law that exists in the United
8 States; and
9 WHEREAS, The people who fought in the American Revolution
10 made great sacrifices for their fledgling country; and
11 WHEREAS, The 55 delegates who attended the Constitutional
12 Convention in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 225 years ago and the

1 39 delegates who signed the Constitution of the United States at
2 the Constitutional Convention irrevocably changed the course of
3 history; and

4 WHEREAS, The Constitution of the United States, a revered
5 and living document, provides important rights to every citizen of
6 the United States, secures “the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves
7 and our Posterity,” and sets the standard of democracy for the
8 world; and

9 WHEREAS, The delegates to the Constitutional Convention in
10 1787 established the imperative precedent of compromise; and

11 WHEREAS, The Constitution and the subsequent 27
12 amendments to the Constitution outline the freedoms and the
13 principles of representative government that are as strong today
14 as they were on that momentous occasion in 1787; and

15 WHEREAS, September 17, 2012, marks the 225th anniversary
16 of the signing of the Constitution of the United States, which is
17 the supreme law of the land and the document by which the people
18 of the United States govern this great country; and

19 WHEREAS, To venerate the immeasurable importance of the
20 Constitution and the day that the Constitution was signed, it is
21 essential to continually educate people about and celebrate the
22 principles and legacy of the Founding Fathers; and

23 WHEREAS, Members of organizations such as the California
24 Society of the Sons of the American Revolution and the California
25 State Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution play
26 an important role in promoting patriotism, preserving the history
27 of the United States, and educating the public about the rights and
28 responsibilities of citizenship; now, therefore, be it

29 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
30 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature commemorates the 225th
31 anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States
32 on September 17, 2012, and recognizes the sacrifices made by the
33 people who made the signing possible; and be it further

34 *Resolved*, That the Legislature commends the continuing
35 contributions made by the members, volunteers, and staff of
36 historical, educational, and patriotic societies, such as the California
37 Society of the Sons of the American Revolution and the California
38 State Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, in
39 promoting patriotism and the values embodied in the Constitution
40 of the United States; and be it further

1 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
2 of this resolution to the presidents of the California Society of the
3 Sons of the American Revolution and the California State Society
4 of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and to the author
5 for appropriate distribution.

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