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Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 42—Relative to the 50th
Anniversary of the California Prayer Breakfast.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SCR 42, as introduced, Huff. California Prayer Breakfast.

This measure would recognize that the California Prayer Breakfast is commemorating and celebrating its 50th year of existence at the State Capitol in 2011 with the California Prayer Breakfast being held on May 19, 2011, at the Sheraton Grand Sacramento Hotel.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, The California Prayer Breakfast is inspired by, and
- 2 patterned after, the National Prayer Breakfast, which is held each
- 3 year in Washington, D.C., and was created as a result of President
- 4 Eisenhower’s call from the White House one evening to his friend,
- 5 Senator Frank Carlson of Kansas, in which he is believed to have
- 6 said: “Frank, this is the loneliest house that I’ve ever been in.
- 7 Would you come over and pray with me?”; and
- 8 WHEREAS, The prayer meetings continued, and soon, each
- 9 week at the Nation’s Capitol, a group of legislators began to pray
- 10 for the President and the country, asking for God’s blessings and
- 11 the wisdom and strength to help this great nation; and

1 WHEREAS, Like the National Prayer Breakfast, the California
2 Prayer Breakfast is sponsored and planned by a group of legislators,
3 without regard to party affiliation, who meet weekly at 7:30 a.m.
4 in an in-depth bible study in the Senate Rules Committee Room
5 at the State Capitol; and

6 WHEREAS, For 50 years, the California Legislators' Fellowship
7 Group has been meeting weekly for a time of fellowship in the
8 reconciling spirit of prayer; and

9 WHEREAS, The California Legislators' Fellowship Group is
10 bipartisan, nondenominational, includes legislators of diverse
11 spiritual backgrounds and experience, and welcomes all legislators
12 who have a common interest in developing and nurturing their
13 spiritual lives; and

14 WHEREAS, The California Prayer Breakfast has sought to
15 encourage men and women throughout the State of California to
16 recognize their spiritual privileges and responsibilities; and

17 WHEREAS, With the desire to deepen the spiritual life and
18 moral fiber of the people of the state and become a spiritual
19 leadership, as well as to be thankful for God's blessings and to
20 seek God's spiritual wisdom and guidance; now, therefore, be it

21 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
22 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature takes great pleasure in
23 recognizing that the California Prayer Breakfast is commemorating
24 and celebrating its 50th year of existence at the State Capitol in
25 2011 with the California Prayer Breakfast being held on May 19,
26 2011, at the Sheraton Grand Sacramento Hotel; and be it further

27 *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of
28 this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.