

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 175

RESOLUTION CHAPTER 186

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 175, Ian Calderon. Red Ribbon Week.

This measure would proclaim October 23 to October 31, 2014, as Red Ribbon Week, and would encourage all Californians to help build drug-free communities and participate in drug prevention activities.

WHEREAS, Californians for Drug-Free Youth, Inc. (CADFY), a statewide parent-community organization, the office of the Governor, the office of the Attorney General, the State Department of Education, the California Parent Teacher Association, and over 100 other statewide agencies, departments, and organizations have been strong advocates for Red Ribbon Week; and

WHEREAS, The National Family Partnership, Inc., initiated the Red Ribbon Campaign after Drug Enforcement Administration Agent Enrique “Kiki” Camarena was killed in Mexico by drug traffickers in 1985; and

WHEREAS, Parents, youths, schools, businesses, law enforcement, religious institutions, service organizations, senior citizens, medical and military personnel, sports teams, and others concerned about the effects of drugs on our communities will demonstrate their commitment to drug-free, healthy lifestyles by wearing and displaying red ribbons during this weeklong celebration; and

WHEREAS, The theme of this year’s effort is “Love Yourself. Be Drug Free”; and

WHEREAS, Securing a safe and healthy future for our children is directly threatened by drug abuse, and awareness of this problem will help individuals in fighting drug abuse; and

WHEREAS, The objective of Red Ribbon Week 2014 will be to promote this view through drug prevention, education, parental involvement, and communitywide support; and

WHEREAS, The Assembly of the State of California has further committed its resources to ensure the success of the Red Ribbon Week celebration; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate thereof concurring, That the Legislature hereby proclaims its support for the Red Ribbon Week celebration by proclaiming the period of October 23 to 31, 2014, inclusive, as Red Ribbon Week; and be it further

Resolved, That the Legislature encourages all Californians to help build drug-free communities and to participate in drug prevention activities by making a visible statement that we are firmly committed to healthy, productive, and drug-free lifestyles; and be it further

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies of this resolution to the Governor, and to the author for appropriate distribution throughout the state.