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**ACR-117 Ronald Reagan Day.** (2015-2016)

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**Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 117**

**CHAPTER 6**

Relative to Ronald Reagan Day.

[ Filed with Secretary of State March 03, 2016. ]

**LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST**

ACR 117, Lackey. Ronald Reagan Day.

This measure would declare February 6, 2016, as Ronald Reagan Day.

Fiscal Committee: no

WHEREAS, President Ronald Wilson Reagan, a man of humble background, worked throughout his life serving freedom and advancing the public good, having been employed as an entertainer, union leader, corporate spokesman, Governor of California, and President of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Ronald Reagan is the only person in California's 164-year history to be elected to the offices of Governor of the State of California and President of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Ronald Reagan served with honor and distinction for two terms as the 40th President of the United States of America, the second of which he earned the confidence of three-fifths of the electorate in 1984, emerging victorious in 49 of the 50 states in the general election—a record unsurpassed in the history of American presidential elections; and

WHEREAS, In 1981, when Ronald Reagan was inaugurated President, he inherited a disillusioned nation shackled by rampant inflation and high unemployment; and

WHEREAS, President Reagan's commitment to the nation's children helped lower crime and drug use in our neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, President Reagan's commitment to our Armed Forces contributed to the restoration of pride in America, her values, and those cherished by the free world, and prepared America's Armed Forces to meet 21st century challenges; and

WHEREAS, President Reagan's vision of "peace through strength" led to the end of the Cold War; and

WHEREAS, In 1987 President Reagan gave a speech at the Berlin Wall where he famously told Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev to "tear down this wall," which later became reality in 1989; and

WHEREAS, February 6, 2016, will be the 105th anniversary of Ronald Reagan's birth, and the 11th since his passing; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate thereof concurring, That the Legislature takes great pride in honoring Ronald Reagan for his many contributions to our country and in celebrating his life; and be it further

Resolved, That the Legislature recognizes February 6, 2016, as Ronald Reagan Day; and be it further

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