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ACR-80 California Nonprofits Day. (2021-2022)

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Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 80

CHAPTER 94

Relative to California Nonprofits Day.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 80, Luz Rivas. California Nonprofits Day.

This measure would declare June 23, 2021, as California Nonprofits Day in recognition of the importance of nonprofit organizations to the economy and well-being of this state.

Fiscal Committee: no

WHEREAS, Nonprofit organizations are a large and vital part of California's economy, with nonprofit economic activity contributing 15 percent, or one-sixth, of California's gross state product; and

WHEREAS, Nonprofit organizations rank as the fourth largest employer by industry in California, with more than 1.2 million people employed by nonprofits, accounting for 1 in every 14 California jobs; and

WHEREAS, Each year nonprofit organizations bring more than \$40 billion into California from out-of-state sources; and

WHEREAS, California nonprofit organizations keep jobs local and employ greater percentages of women and people of color than does the overall civilian workforce; and

WHEREAS, California's nonprofit community includes houses of worship, universities and preschools, local theaters and world-class symphonies, after-school sports leagues and senior day centers, health clinics, and other types of organizations that attract people to California and that support the well-being of Californians; and

WHEREAS, California nonprofit organizations are trusted institutions that exist to provide services to the needy and vulnerable, improve quality of life, express community values, and promote social change; and

WHEREAS, During the COVID-19 pandemic and economic crisis, California nonprofit organizations responded quickly, as they always do in a crisis, to the changing needs of their communities, often providing increased services with fewer resources and higher costs; and

WHEREAS, The nonprofit organization community in California is a strong economic power that uses that power for the common good; and

WHEREAS, A vibrant nonprofit sector in California is key to a strong economic recovery; and

WHEREAS, California's nonprofit organizations are national and international groundbreakers and leaders in the environment, science and health care, safety-net innovations, civil rights, the arts and humanities, and the pursuit of democratic ideals; and

WHEREAS, Since the first California Nonprofits Day in 2016, more than 450 nonprofit organizations have been honored by their Assembly Members and Senators; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate thereof concurring, That the Legislature, in recognition of the importance of nonprofit organizations to the economy and well-being of this state, declares June 23, 2021, as California Nonprofits Day; and be it further

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