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ACR-154 Women in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. (2021-2022)

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Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 154

CHAPTER 133

Relative to women in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 154, Seyarto. Women in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.

This measure would honor 100 years of women in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics during the month of June 2022.

Fiscal Committee: no

WHEREAS, Julia Morgan was born on January 20, 1872, 150 years ago this year; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Morgan designed more than 700 buildings in California, most famously the Hearst Castle and many other Hearst buildings across the state, along with buildings on the campus of the University of California, Berkeley; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Morgan's early reputation was built on her use of steel-reinforced concrete and the building of the 72-foot bell tower at Mills College, which survived the 1906 San Francisco earthquake unscathed; and

WHEREAS, Raised in the City of Oakland, Ms. Morgan attended the University of California, Berkeley and graduated as the first woman with a Bachelor of Science degree in civil engineering. She later attended the prestigious Beaux-Arts de Paris, where she was the first woman to receive a certificate in architecture, which she did in three years while the usual time to receive that certificate was five years; and

WHEREAS, In 1904, Ms. Morgan was the first woman to obtain an architecture license in California, where she then opened her own office in the City of San Francisco. The 1906 earthquake and fire promoted Ms. Morgan to the front of the rebuilding and architecture world, as her tower had remained after the devastation and her use of steel-reinforced concrete was revolutionary; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Morgan then went on to serve the Hearst family through three generations, building and designing most of the family's buildings still standing today, including the Hacienda, the Los Angeles Examiner Building, Hearst Castle, Wynton, and five Young Women's Christian Association buildings in southern California. Ms. Morgan also built the famous North Star House in the City of Grass Valley, the Chapel of the Chimes in the City of Oakland, and the Berkeley Playhouse; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Morgan died on February 2, 1957, and was buried in Mountain View Cemetery in the hills of the City of Oakland. Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger inducted Ms. Morgan into the California Hall of Fame in 2008. In 2014, Ms. Morgan was awarded the American Institute of Architects Gold Medal; and

WHEREAS, While not much is known about Ms. Morgan's personal life, she is quoted as saying, "my buildings will be my legacy ... they will speak for me long after I'm gone"; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate thereof concurring, That the Legislature honors 100 years of women in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics during the month of June 2022; and be it further

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