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**HR-35** (2021-2022)

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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

**NO. 35**

**Introduced by Assembly Members Choi and Quirk-Silva  
(Principal coauthor: Senator Min)**

**April 06, 2021**

Relative to Korean Independence Day.

### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

HR 35, as introduced, Choi.

WHEREAS, August 15, 2021, marks the 76th anniversary of the Independence of the Republic of Korea; and

WHEREAS, Korean Independence Day or Gwangbokjeol, commemorates the liberation of Korea from Japanese colonization on August 15, 1945; and

WHEREAS, The thousands of brave Korean service members and civilians who lost their lives or were imprisoned fighting for independence are a testament to the Republic of Korea's enduring strength and resiliency; and

WHEREAS, On Korean Independence Day, Koreans throughout the world unite to commemorate this day through parades, concerts, and celebrations that showcase Korea's rich cultural heritage; and

WHEREAS, California is home to more than 455,000 Korean Americans who celebrate this important holiday; and

WHEREAS, The Korean American community has enriched the cultural, social, and economic landscape of California; and

WHEREAS, Korean Independence Day is an opportunity to celebrate the great contributions of Korean Americans to the United States; and

WHEREAS, The Republic of Korea and the United States are historic allies that share common values and objectives through economic interdependence and security; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, That August 15, 2021, is hereby commemorated as Korean Independence Day; and be it further

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