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SCR-32 National Vending Day. (2023-2024)

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Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 32

CHAPTER 23

Relative to National Vending Day.

[Filed with Secretary of State April 18, 2023.]

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 32, Wilk. National Vending Day.

This measure would designate March 2, 2023, as National Vending Day.

Fiscal Committee: no

WHEREAS, The vending and convenience services industry employs over 150,000 Americans and generates an economic output of almost \$3 billion and employs almost 13,000 California residents; and

WHEREAS, The vending industry has expanded in recent decades to include a wide array of convenience services and refreshments and recently launched a national public health commitment; and

WHEREAS, The vending industry uses cutting-edge technology to deliver innovative options to consumers; and

WHEREAS, During the COVID-19 pandemic, the vending and convenience services industry served as an essential industry, providing food and beverages to fuel first responders and other critical industries; and

WHEREAS, California is proud of all the small business owners in the state who own vending companies; and

WHEREAS, The industry stands uniquely equipped to service food deserts and underserved communities throughout the nation through its supply chain, commissary, and unique "last-foot" distribution expertise; and

WHEREAS, The industry has committed to increasing the percentage of healthier food and beverage options in the nation's vending machines to 33 percent by December 31, 2023; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly thereof concurring, That the Legislature recognizes the importance of the vending industry and designates March 2, 2023, as "National Vending Day"; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.