



## SCR-142 California Nonprofits Day. (2023-2024)

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### Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 142

#### CHAPTER 129

Relative to California Nonprofits Day.

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#### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 142, Limón. California Nonprofits Day.

This measure would declare June 5, 2024, 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 1,200,000 people employed by nonprofits, accounting for one in every 14 California jobs; and

WHEREAS, The number of volunteers mobilized by nonprofit organizations is equivalent to 33,000 full-time jobs in service of communities; and

WHEREAS, Nonprofit organizations support the California economy by bringing more than \$40,000,000,000 into California each year 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 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, intensifying wildfire, drought, and flood conditions, and economic downturns, California nonprofit organizations responded quickly, as they always do in a crisis, by bridging the financial gaps and adapting to their communities' evolving needs; 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 economic resilience and is an essential partner to the government in providing services and support to meet the ongoing needs of Californians; and

WHEREAS, California's nonprofit organizations are national and international leaders and innovators in the development of environmental protections, access to health care, and safety net services, expansion of civil rights, support of the arts and humanities, and the pursuit of democratic ideals; and

WHEREAS, Since the first California Nonprofits Day in 2016, a total of 774 nonprofit organizations have been honored by their Senators and Assembly Members; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly thereof concurring, That the Legislature, in recognition of the importance of nonprofit organizations to the economy and well-being of this state, declares June 5, 2024, as California Nonprofits Day; and be it further

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