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HOUSE RESOLUTION

NO. 52

Introduced by Assembly Member Harabedian

July 18, 2025

Relative to Kimchi Day.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

HR 52, as introduced, Harabedian.

WHEREAS, Kimchi is a traditional dish in Korean cuisine with a long, rich history that began over two millennia ago during the period of the Three Kingdoms of Korea; and

WHEREAS, Korean Americans represent a vibrant, growing community in the United States whose predecessors first arrived in the United States over a century ago and whose members have gone on to become an indispensable part of the fabric of the United States and made numerous contributions to science, law, business, art, and many other fields; and

WHEREAS, In 2013, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization officially recognized the Korean traditional process of preparing kimchi, “kimjang,” on its Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity; and

WHEREAS, Kimchi has been widely acknowledged as a probiotic food item with well-established positive health benefits that serves as an excellent source of beta-carotene, calcium, potassium, dietary fiber, and vitamins A, B, C, and K, which can lower rates of heart disease, cancer, stroke, and diabetes; and

WHEREAS, The growing interest in and popularity of kimchi as a dish in the United States, as evidenced by an increase in available kimchi-related food products, restaurant menu items, and interest from non-Korean consumers, represents a positive example of multicultural exchange; and

WHEREAS, Kimchi is celebrated in Korea, the land of its origin, each year through the designation of November 22 as “Kimchi Day”; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, That November 22, 2025, shall be celebrated as Kimchi Day; and be it further

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