
THIRD READING

Bill No: ACR 176
Author: Luz Rivas (D), et al.
Amended: 8/1/22 in Senate
Vote: 21

ASSEMBLY FLOOR: Read and adopted, 6/27/22

SUBJECT: Cruising

SOURCE: Author

DIGEST: This resolution celebrates the history and culture of cruising and encourages local officials and law enforcement to work with local car clubs to conduct safe cruising events.

ANALYSIS: This resolution makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Cruising is the custom of leisurely driving on urban boulevards in dropped and dolled-up vehicles, that includes meetups of lowrider, vintage, and custom vehicle owners.
- 2) Cruising is all about fun, the love of cars, the love of culture, and the craft of maintaining a vintage vehicle.
- 3) Cruising can occur as gatherings where cars are parked and owners show off their cars and admire other cars, or as one-off cruises where people gather and drive their cars through the streets.
- 4) Cruising in some form has been popular in California since the first American teenagers obtained vehicles in the 1930s.
- 5) Cruising along a specific route became popular after World War II with individuals of Mexican heritage driving lowriders in southern California towns, and cruising rapidly became a popular activity among teenagers.

- 6) Lowriders are customized cars whose springs have been shortened so that the chassis rides close to the ground and which are often equipped with hydraulic lifts that are controlled by the driver.
- 7) Van Nuys Boulevard and the San Fernando Valley are popular hubs of lowrider culture and cruising in California.
- 8) The Sacramento Lowrider Commission was instrumental in the repeal of a 34-year-old city ordinance that prohibited cruising.
- 9) Cruising has resurged in the last 10 years and cruises and lowrider meetups occur every weekend throughout southern California, from Oxnard to Riverside to San Diego to Lancaster.
- 10) Car club gatherings have been drawing new types of vehicles driven by younger motorists influenced by the “Fast and the Furious” media franchise.
- 11) Car clubs are often engaged with their communities and collaborate with local law enforcement and elected officials to conduct toy drives, fundraisers, and other philanthropic activities.

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FISCAL EFFECT: Appropriation: No Fiscal Com.: No Local: No

SUPPORT: (Verified 8/2/22)

City of Sacramento
Sacramento Lowrider Commission
San Fernando Valley Car and Truck Club Council
Sonoma County Lowrider Council
United Lowrider Coalition

OPPOSITION: (Verified 8/2/22)

None received

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