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Bill No: ACR 103

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Introduced: 6/25/25

Vote: 21

SUBJECT: California Western Monarch Protection Week

SOURCE: Author

DIGEST: This resolution proclaims the week of July 14, 2025, to July 18, 2025, inclusive, to be California Western Monarch Protection Week

ANALYSIS: This resolution makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) In late November, western monarchs migrate to the California coast and spend the winter clustering in groves of pine, cypress, and eucalyptus trees.
- 2) Over the past quarter century, the number of monarchs recorded during the peak of the migration season has fallen a staggering 81 percent, from 1,235,490 monarchs to just 233,394 monarchs last year.
- 3) The United States Fish and Wildlife Service, as of 2024, is proposing protections for the monarch butterfly and encouraging public involvement in its recovery, including the designation of over 4,300 acres in California as critical habitat.
- 4) California has sought to protect and preserve over 400 western monarch butterfly overwintering sites across the state, including Pacific Grove Monarch Sanctuary, Natural Bridges State Beach, Goleta Monarch Butterfly Grove, and Point Mugu State Park.
- 5) Recognition of California Western Monarch Protection Week will have a positive impact by raising public awareness, promoting conservation efforts, and inspiring community action to protect monarch butterflies and their habitats.

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

SUPPORT: (Verified 8/19/25)

None received

OPPOSITION: (Verified 8/19/25)

None received

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