

ASSEMBLY THIRD READING

ACR 123 (Chen)

As Amended April 21, 2026

Majority vote

SUMMARY

Recognizes June 19, 2026, as Duanwu Jie and celebrates the cultural contributions and rich heritage of the communities who observe this important festival.

Major Provisions

- 1) Duanwu Jie, also known as the Dragon Boat Festival, is a holiday with more than 2,000 years of history and deep cultural significance.
- 2) Observed on the fifth day of the fifth lunar month, Duanwu Jie is traditionally associated with honoring the poet and statesman Qu Yuan, whose legacy represents loyalty, integrity, and devotion to the public good.
- 3) Over time, the festival has also become a celebration of community and cultural heritage. Duanwu Jie is most famously marked by dragon boat races in which teams paddle in unison to the rhythm of drums symbolizing cooperation and perseverance.
- 4) Families and communities also celebrate by preparing and sharing zongzi, which is sticky rice wrapped in bamboo leaves, which reflects tradition, care, and togetherness. In many households, people hang herbs or wear protective charms, which are customs rooted in wishes for good health.
- 5) Today, Duanwu Jie continues to be celebrated around the world, bringing people together across generations and cultures.

COMMENTS**According to the Author**

"This resolution recognizes June 19, 2026, as Duanwu Jie (Dragon Boat Festival) in California. It highlights the festival's over 2,000-year history, its connection to the poet Qu Yuan and values like loyalty and integrity, and its cultural traditions such as dragon boat races and eating zongzi. ACR 123 honors the festival's role in celebrating community, heritage, and global cultural contributions."

Arguments in Support

None on file

Arguments in Opposition

None on file

FISCAL COMMENTS

No fiscal impact. This resolution is keyed non-fiscal by Legislative Counsel.

VOTES

ASM RULES: 9-0-1

YES: Pacheco, Ahrens, Dixon, Garcia, Mark González, Irwin, Michelle Rodriguez, Sanchez, Zbur

ABS, ABST OR NV: Lackey

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