

Date of Hearing: May 11, 2026

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
ACR 124 (Ta) – As Introduced January 20, 2026

SUBJECT: Vietnam Human Rights Day.

SUMMARY: Designates May 11, 2026, as Vietnam Human Rights Day in support of efforts to achieve freedom and human rights for the people of Vietnam; and, encourages Californians to commemorate the day with appropriate activities, including, but not limited to, rallies, ceremonies, and discussions. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) May 11, 2026, is the 36th anniversary of the issuance of the Manifesto of the Non-Violent Movement for Human Rights in Vietnam.
- 2) The Manifesto, which calls upon Hanoi to respect basic human rights, accept a multiparty system, and restore the right of the Vietnamese people to choose their own form of government through free and fair elections, reflects the will and aspirations of the people of Vietnam.
- 3) Vietnam Human Rights Day has been observed in the United States annually on May 11 since its initial designation by Joint Resolution No.168 passed by the United States Congress in 1994.
- 4) Vietnam Human Rights Day focuses on highlighting human rights violations, promoting human rights issues in the Socialist Republic of Vietnam, and recognizing the efforts of Vietnamese dissidents.
- 5) According to the United States Census for 2020, more than 675,235 Vietnamese people live in California, with the largest concentration of Vietnamese residents found outside of Vietnam residing in the County of Orange.
- 6) Many Vietnamese people residing in California fled from government oppression.

FISCAL EFFECT: This resolution is keyed non-fiscal by Legislative Counsel.

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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