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THIRD READING

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Bill No: ACR 133  
Author: Johnson (R), et al.  
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Vote: 21

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**SUBJECT:** Introduce a Girl to Engineering Day

**SOURCE:** Author

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**DIGEST:** This resolution commemorates February 26, 2026, as Introduce a Girl to Engineering Day.

**ANALYSIS:** This resolution makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) February 26, 2026, is recognized nationally and internationally as Introduce a Girl to Engineering Day, a signature event of Engineers Week dedicated to encouraging girls to explore careers in engineering and technology.
- 2) In 1970, women comprised approximately 3% of the engineering workforce in the United States. According to the National Science Foundation's National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, women accounted for approximately 35% of the overall science and engineering workforce in the United States by 2023, reflecting progress across science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) fields while underscoring persistent gaps in engineering specifically.
- 3) Despite these gains, women hold only about 16% of engineering jobs nationwide, according to the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics, highlighting the ongoing challenge of translating educational participation into workforce representation.
- 4) Numerous organizations and programs across the United States are dedicated to closing the gender gap in engineering by actively encouraging young women and girls to explore STEM fields that have been historically male dominated.

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**Related/Prior Legislation**

ACR 19 (Macedo, Resolution Chapter 19, Statutes of 2025)

ACR 130 (Luz Rivas, Resolution Chapter 26, Statutes of 2024)

ACR 8 (Luz Rivas, Resolution Chapter 14, Statutes of 2023)

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

**SUPPORT:** (Verified 3/10/26)

California State Association of Counties

**OPPOSITION:** (Verified 3/10/26)

None received

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