

Date of Hearing: May 4, 2026

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
ACR 188 (Soria) – As Introduced April 29, 2026

SUBJECT: California's Farm Week.

SUMMARY: Designates May 10, 2026, to May 16, 2026, inclusive, as California's Farm Week. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) From nurturing careers to building vibrant communities, our agricultural industry is the backbone of California and we honor the dedication and hard work of those in the agricultural sector who help feed the nation and sustain our communities.
- 2) For more than 60 consecutive years, California has been the number one agricultural state in the nation, producing more than 400 crop and livestock products and accounting for over one-third of vegetables and nearly three-quarters of the fruits and nuts produced in the United States.
- 3) California's agricultural community relies on a vital infrastructure that aids in the exclusion and early detection of plant and animal pests and diseases that impact public health, the environment, and commerce. The inexhaustible efforts of millions of farmworkers have contributed greatly to the success of the industry.
- 4) California is the nation's leader in agricultural exports, shipping \$23.6 billion in food and agricultural commodities around the world in 2022, which represents a 4.4 percent increase from the previous year. California is the nation's sole exporter of many agricultural commodities, supplying 99 percent or more of the nation's exported almonds, artichokes, figs, garlic, kiwifruit, olives and olive oil, pistachios, plums, prunes, raisins, table grapes, tomatoes for processing, and walnuts.
- 5) California's agricultural industry constantly seeks to incorporate the latest scientific and technological production and marketing techniques to meet the demands of changing consumer needs and complex world markets.
- 6) California agriculture has provided strong leadership in the adoption of climate-smart practices to reduce methane and other greenhouse gas emissions, improve energy efficiency, save water, and scale up soil health practices to sequester carbon and other solutions to climate change.
- 7) Public-private partnerships are continually being developed to improve quality and ensure safe handling practices on the farm, in transit, and during processing.
- 8) It is appropriate for all Californians to recognize our farmers, ranchers, farmworkers, and others involved in providing such a bounty to our nation and the entire world.

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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