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ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
ACR 193 (Aguiar-Curry) – As Introduced May 4, 2026

SUBJECT: International Year of the Woman Farmer.

SUMMARY: Proclaims 2026 as the International Year of the Woman Farmer and recognizes the critical role of women in agriculture. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Women constitute a significant share of the global agricultural workforce and contribute across the entire agrifood value chain, including production, processing, distribution, and trade.
- 2) Women farmers play a critical role in ensuring the food security, nutrition, poverty reduction, and economic stability of rural households and communities. Despite their contributions, women in agriculture face persistent structural barriers, including limited access to land, financing, technology, education, and decisionmaking opportunities.
- 3) In the United States, women contribute significantly to agricultural production, agribusiness, research, and leadership. In the State of California, the largest agricultural producer in the United States, women are a driving force in the agricultural economy and food system. Women are involved in operating approximately 63 percent of farms in California, a higher share than in any other major agricultural state.
- 4) The United Nations has designated 2026 as the International Year of the Woman Farmer to raise awareness of the vital role women play in agrifood systems and global food security.
- 5) The International Year of the Woman Farmer provides an opportunity to promote gender equality, empower women, and encourage policy reforms and investments that address disparities in agriculture.
- 6) The observance calls upon governments, international organizations, civil society, private sector actors, and individuals to increase awareness and take action in support of women farmers.

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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