

ASSEMBLY THIRD READING

ACR 230 (Schiavo)

As Introduced June 30, 2026

Majority vote

SUMMARY

Proclaims the month of October 2026 as California Firefighter Appreciation Month and October 3, 2026, as California Firefighters Memorial Day.

Major Provisions

- 1) The California Firefighters Memorial, located on the grounds of the State Capitol, serves to honor and commemorate California firefighters who unwaveringly serve our great state with pride, courage, and honor.
- 2) The California Firefighters Memorial is maintained by the California Fire Foundation to ensure that it continues to be a symbol of gratitude and appreciation to the men and women of the fire service who put their lives on the line each day to protect the people, property, and beauty of California.
- 3) The California Firefighters Memorial is the only state monument capturing the names in perpetuity of those courageous firefighters in California who have put service to our great State of California above all else. Each of the over 1,500 names engraved on the brushed limestone walls of the California Firefighters Memorial serves as a timeless tribute to the finest and bravest of our state who have made the ultimate sacrifice as firefighters.
- 4) Many of the fallen firefighters whose names adorn the California Firefighters Memorial died either under tragic, traumatic circumstances or suffered from and ultimately succumbed to job-caused diseases, such as occupational cancer, as a result of the hazardous nature of their work, including routine exposure to toxins.
- 5) California firefighters respond to approximately three million incidents across the state each year and the scope of their work goes beyond fighting fires. They also provide emergency medical services and respond to natural disasters, hazardous materials incidents, water rescue emergencies, high-angle and confined space emergencies, and other general public service calls.
- 6) The California Firefighters Memorial Ceremony will be held on Saturday, October 3, 2026, in the City of Sacramento to commemorate the line-of-duty service and sacrifice of 37 California fire service professionals.
- 7) As it did when the California Firefighters Memorial was formally unveiled over two decades ago on April 6, 2002, this year's ceremony will feature a solemn, uniformed personnel procession. State and local elected officials and other dignitaries, as well as hundreds of Californians, family members, and friends of fallen firefighters, will travel to the City of Sacramento to honor their lost loved ones.

COMMENTS

According to the Author

California's firefighters are always on watch, ready to head toward danger at a moment's notice to protect Californians from deadly blazes across the state. Every year, the names of those who were lost in the year prior are added to the California Firefighters Memorial in Capitol Park. This year, 37 names of California firefighters will be added in October, and this resolution honors their memory and memorializes their sacrifice.

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: 7-0-2**

YES: Pacheco, Dixon, Garcia, Mark González, Irwin, Michelle Rodriguez, Ta

ABS, ABST OR NV: Lackey, Zbur

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