

Date of Hearing: August 6, 2026

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
ACR 231 (Addis) – As Introduced August 3, 2026

SUBJECT: Coastal Stewardship Day.

SUMMARY: Proclaims August 10, 2026, as Coastal Stewardship Day in California in recognition of the fundamental importance of the coast to California's economy, communities, and identity; and, in recognition of the need to protect, bolster, and conserve California's coastline, residents, and habitats. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) The California coast is integral to the state's identity because of its natural beauty, economic impact, and recreational utility. According to the National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration, California has approximately 3,427 miles of coastline.
- 2) California's coastal counties are home to 68 percent of the state's population.
- 3) California's beaches bring millions of people from around the world each year to surf, kayak, fish, dive, or simply enjoy the scenery, contributing billions of dollars to California's gross domestic product.
- 4) California's mild climate and weather patterns are heavily influenced by the ocean, supporting some of the most productive agricultural areas in the United States.
- 5) Forty-three species of marine mammals call California's coast home and more than 180 species of seabirds and shorebirds live or visit the California coast. Many migratory animals, such as sharks, fish, turtles, and whales, stop along California's coast.
- 6) California's coastal wetlands protect communities from floods, improve water quality, and reduce the impacts of climate change by sequestering carbon dioxide.
- 7) Generations of indigenous tribes in California have helped preserve, protect, and maintain much of California's natural coastline.

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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