
THIRD READING

Bill No: ACR 231

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Introduced: 8/3/26

Vote: 21

SUBJECT: Coastal Stewardship Day

SOURCE: Author

DIGEST: This resolution proclaims August 10, 2026, as Coastal Stewardship Day in California.

ANALYSIS: This resolution makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) 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.
- 2) California's coastal counties are home to 68% of the state's population.
- 3) On average, California's commercial fishing industry generates more than \$150 million each year for fishers.
- 4) California has lost 90% of its coastal wetlands.
- 5) California's coastal wetlands protect communities from floods, improve water quality, and reduce the impacts of climate change by sequestering carbon dioxide.
- 6) Coastal communities have been hard hit by recurring storms, flooding, coastal erosion, and other natural disasters, highlighting the coast's vulnerability to climate change.

This resolution 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.

Related/Prior Legislation

ACR 225 (Addis, Chapter 196, Statutes of 2024)

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

SUPPORT: (Verified 8/11/26)

None received

OPPOSITION: (Verified 8/11/26)

None received

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