
THIRD READING

Bill No: SCR 182
Author: Seyarto (R), et al.
Introduced: 5/28/26
Vote: 21

SUBJECT: Purple Heart Day

SOURCE: Author

DIGEST: This resolution declares August 7, 2026, as Purple Heart Day in California.

ANALYSIS: This resolution makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) The Purple Heart is awarded to members of the Armed Forces of the United States who are killed or wounded in action.
- 2) To date, approximately 2 million Purple Heart Medals have been awarded. The award can be awarded retroactively as far back as 1917, allowing veterans from World War I to be eligible.
- 3) From 1942 to 1997, inclusive, civilians serving in, or affiliated with, the Armed Forces of the United States were eligible to receive the Purple Heart. Some of the earliest civilians to receive this honor were firefighters wounded or killed while fighting fires caused by the attack on Pearl Harbor.
- 4) Since California is home to more than 1.8 million veterans and more than 200,000 active and reserve members of the Armed Forces of the United States, it is especially appropriate for all Californians to honor those who have been awarded the Purple Heart.

This resolution encourages all Californians to honor those who have served in the Armed Forces of the United States, especially those who have been wounded and received the Purple Heart, and declares August 7, 2026, as Purple Heart Day in California.

Related/Prior Legislation

SCR 88 (Seyarto, Resolution Chapter 148, Statutes of 2025)

SCR 111 (Seyarto, Resolution Chapter 159, Statutes of 2024)

SCR 28 (Seyarto, Resolution Chapter 140, Statutes of 2023)

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

SUPPORT: (Verified 6/8/26)

None received

OPPOSITION: (Verified 6/8/26)

None received

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