

Date of Hearing: August 28, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES  
Blanca Pacheco, Chair  
SCR 28 (Grove) – As Amended March 10, 2025

**SENATE VOTE:** 36-0

**SUBJECT:** Gold Star Mothers' and Families' Day.

**SUMMARY:** Proclaims September 28, 2025, as Gold Star Mothers' and Families' Day in California. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) The history of Gold Star families began in the United States shortly after World War I to provide support for mothers who lost sons or daughters in the war.
- 2) The reference to the Gold Star comes from the custom of families of service members hanging a service flag in the window of their homes displaying a blue star for every living family member in the Armed Forces and a gold star for those who have perished.
- 3) The United States began observing Gold Star Mothers' Day on the last Sunday of September in 1936, and the Gold Star Wives was formed before the end of World War II. Since 2009, the President of the United States has designated the last Sunday in September as Gold Star Mothers' and Families' Day, continuing the tradition of honoring the sacrifice of these families.
- 4) The strength of our military is built upon the men and women who serve in uniform and the families who support them. The families of our fallen service members have made a tremendous sacrifice on behalf of our country.
- 5) All Gold Star families deserve to be recognized by our local, state, and federal leaders for their sacrifices and their dedicated, patriotic support of the United States.
- 6) Supporting Gold Star families demonstrates the commitment of the American people to those families, now and in the future.

**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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