

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 34

RESOLUTION CHAPTER 40

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 34—Relative to California Aerospace and Aviation Days.

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SCR 34, Allen. California Aerospace and Aviation Days.

This measure would recognize the contributions of the aerospace and aviation industries to the history, economy, security, and educational system of California, its communities, and its citizens by proclaiming the days of April 1, 2019, through April 3, 2019, as California Aerospace and Aviation Days.

WHEREAS, Commercial aviation provides California economic and employment impacts of \$171.2 billion and 1.1 million jobs, with general aviation alone creating an economic impact of \$30.2 billion; and

WHEREAS, There are 22 military airfields and 673 state-permitted aviation facilities, 26,797 Federal Aviation Administration registered aircrafts, and 59,929 certified pilots in the state; and

WHEREAS, The California aerospace industry is a powerful, reliable source of employment, innovation, and export income, directly employing approximately 203,000 people and supporting more than 308,000 jobs in related fields, resulting in \$2.9 billion in annual state personal income tax revenues; and

WHEREAS, According to the report entitled The Economic Impact of Unmanned Aircraft Systems Integration in the United States, published by the Association for Unmanned Vehicle Systems International (AUVSI), California is forecast to be the top state in the nation as the adoption of unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) increases, with more than 18,000 jobs and over \$14 billion in economic impact created in the first decade after UAS integration into the airspace; and

WHEREAS, California is home to many superb sites of air and space activity, including the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) Ames Research Center, Neil A. Armstrong Flight Research Center, Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL), Los Angeles Air Force Base, Vandenberg Air Force Base, Edwards Air Force Base, Naval Base Ventura County, Naval Air Weapons Station China Lake, and Mojave Air and Space Port; and

WHEREAS, California will continue to lead in aerospace and aviation education through its superb science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education programs and world-class research

universities, and thus will continue to lead the world with the innovation that enabled advanced meteorological forecasting, the Global Positioning System, NextGen tools for air traffic management, green aviation, sophisticated wind tunnels and test facilities, and advanced supercomputing and robotics; and

WHEREAS, The Aerospace States Association-California Chapter, the Association of California Airports, and the Association for Unmanned Vehicle Systems International (AUVSI) are sponsoring several days of events to highlight the contributions of the aerospace and aviation community in California; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly thereof concurring, That the Legislature recognizes the contributions of the aerospace and aviation industries to the history, economy, security, and educational system of California, its communities, and its citizens by proclaiming the days of April 1, 2019, through April 3, 2019, as California Aerospace and Aviation Days; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.