

Date of Hearing: April 8, 2021

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Ken Cooley, Chair
ACR 50 (Reyes) – As Introduced March 18, 2021

SUBJECT: Ramadan.

SUMMARY: Acknowledges the Muslim holy month of Ramadan and expresses the Legislature's respect to Muslims across California and throughout the world on this occasion. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Islam is one of the world's major religions and part of our shared human heritage. California's Muslim community is one of the most diverse in the nation with ethnic and cultural backgrounds that span the globe.
- 2) From the early days of the pioneers to our present day leaders, Muslim Americans have played a significant role in the history of this state's economic, cultural, spiritual, and political development.
- 3) There are approximately one million Muslim Americans across this state, contributing to its economy, social fabric, and multicultural and pluralistic traditions.
- 4) The Muslim residents of this state, with their hard work and contributions to medicine, science, information technology, education, police, military, and many other fields, have benefited from and enriched the state's open, tolerant, and economically vibrant environment.
- 5) Ramadan is a time to reflect spiritually, build communally, aid those in need, and marks an annual spiritual renewal for each individual, a reason to celebrate and express gratitude in this month.
- 6) Ramadan is the holy month of fasting and spiritual renewal for Muslims worldwide, and is the ninth month of the Muslim calendar year.
- 7) The observance of the Muslim holy month of Ramadan commences at dusk on April 12, 2021, and continues for one lunar month, from sunrise to sunset each day.

FISCAL EFFECT: None

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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