
THIRD READING

Bill No: ACR 50
Author: Reyes (D) and Bonta (D), et al.
Introduced: 3/18/21
Vote: 21

ASSEMBLY FLOOR: Read and adopted, 4/12/21

SUBJECT: Ramadan

SOURCE: Author

DIGEST: This resolution acknowledges the Muslim holy month of Ramadan and expresses the Legislature's respect to Muslims across California and throughout the world on this occasion.

ANALYSIS: This resolution makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Islam is one of the world's major religions and part of our shared human heritage.
- 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, and 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.

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Comments

According to the author, "As the most diverse state in the nation, ACR-50 is critical in respecting and celebrating California's Muslim community. This resolution proves our commitment to the 1 million Muslim people living in California, who contribute to our economy, social fabric, and multicultural and tolerant community."

Related/Prior Legislation

The following are the most recent measures acknowledging Ramadan:

- SR 85 (Pan, 2020) died in the Senate Rules Committee.
- ACR 85 (Reyes, Resolution Chapter 81, Statutes of 2019) .
- ACR 233 (Reyes, Resolution Chapter 98, Statutes of 2018).

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

SUPPORT: (Verified 4/19/21)

None received

OPPOSITION: (Verified 4/19/21)

None received

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