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Thursday, January 9, 2025

FIFTH SESSION DAY

THIRTY-NINTH CALENDAR DAY

AT SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA



NOTE: Official record of rollcall votes. All amendments considered by the Assembly on this day are on file with the Chief Clerk of the Assembly and available on request. All Senate amendments to Assembly measures considered by the Assembly on this day are on file with the Secretary of the Senate and available on request. A list of all measures amended and on which amendments were offered in the Assembly is shown on the final page of this day's Assembly Journal.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE ASSEMBLY

IN ASSEMBLY

Assembly Chamber, Sacramento
Thursday, January 9, 2025

The Assembly met at 9 a.m.
Hon. Josh Lowenthal, Speaker pro Tempore of the Assembly,
presiding.
Chief Clerk Sue Parker at the Desk.
Reading Clerk David A. Bowman reading.

ROLLCALL

The roll was called.

Quorum Call of the Assembly

Assembly Member Stefani moved a quorum call of the Assembly.
Motion carried. Time, 9:03 a.m.
The Speaker pro Tempore directed the Sergeant at Arms to close the
doors and to bring in the absent Members.

Quorum Present

At 9:18 a.m., Speaker pro Tempore Lowenthal declared a quorum of
the Assembly present.

The rollcall was completed, and the following answered to their
names—66:

Addis	Davies	Lackey	Rogers
Aguiar-Curry	DeMaio	Lee	Rubio
Ahrens	Essayli	Lowenthal	Schiavo
Alanis	Flora	Macedo	Sharp-Collins
Alvarez	Fong	McKinnor	Solache, Jr.
Arambula	Gallagher	Muratsuchi	Soria
Avila Farias	Garcia	Nguyen	Stefani
Bains	Gipson	Ortega	Ta
Bauer-Kahan	Gonzalez, J.	Pacheco	Tangipa
Bennett	González, M.	Papan	Valencia
Berman	Hadwick	Patel	Wallis
Boerner	Haney	Patterson	Ward
Bonta	Hart	Petrie-Norris	Wicks
Carrillo	Hoover	Quirk-Silva	Wilson
Castillo	Jackson	Ramos	Mr. Speaker
Chen	Kalra	Ransom	
Connolly	Krell	Rodriguez, M.	

PRAYER

Upon invitation of Speaker pro Tempore Lowenthal, the following prayer was offered by Reverend Patti Oshita:

Please join me in a moment of Reflection: Today has been declared a National Day of Mourning as our country grieves the passing of our 39th President of the United States, Jimmy Carter.

He made the statement,

“In our democracy, the only title higher and more powerful than that of president is the title of citizen. It is every citizen’s right and duty to help shape the future legacy of our nation.”

And when his term of office as president was over, he showed the world by example, that citizens working together, really can help improve people’s lives; not just in our nation, but in the world. President Carter is remembered as a man who especially cared for people who were least able to help themselves. In a world that can often be cruel, his gentle, humanitarian actions were easily overlooked.

In learning more of his personal life, I am amazed at how unassumingly he tried, in ways great and small, to bring his deep caring to life, as he “walked his talk.”

On this National Day of Mourning for President Carter, let us be inspired to emulate this gentle, caring man.

Namo Amida Butsu—Let us live with kindness and gratitude beyond words.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Upon request of Speaker pro Tempore Lowenthal, Assembly Member Jackson then led the Assembly in the pledge of allegiance to the Flag.

MOTION TO DISPENSE WITH READING OF THE JOURNAL

Further reading of the Journal of the previous legislative day was dispensed with on motion of Assembly Member Aguiar-Curry, seconded by Assembly Member Gallagher.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE FOR THE DAY

By unanimous consent, the following Assembly Members were granted leaves of absence for the day:

On legislative business: Assembly Members Bryan, Caloza, Dixon, Elhawary, Gabriel, Harabedian, Irwin, Pellerin, Celeste Rodriguez, Sanchez, Schultz, and Zbur.

Because of illness: Assembly Member Calderon.

EXPLANATIONS OF ABSENCE

Pursuant to the Assembly Rules, the following explanations of absence were ordered printed in the Journal:

November 21, 2024

*The Honorable Robert Rivas
Speaker of the Assembly
State Capitol, Room 219
Sacramento, California*

Dear Speaker Rivas: I respectfully request permission to be excused from the Floor Session on Thursday, January 9th due to legislative business.

Sincerely,

DIANE B. DIXON, Assembly Member
Seventy-second District

January 8, 2025

*The Honorable Robert Rivas
Speaker of the Assembly
State Capitol, Room 219
Sacramento, California*

Dear Speaker Rivas: I respectfully request to be excused from Assembly Floor Session on January 9, 2025 for legislative business.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

SADE ELHAWARY, Assembly Member
Fifty-seventh District

November 7, 2024

*The Honorable Robert Rivas
Speaker of the Assembly
State Capitol, Room 219
Sacramento, California*

Dear Mr. Speaker: I respectfully request permission to be excused from Floor Session on January 9, 2025 for Legislative business. Speaker Rivas nominated me to represent California as an attendee at a key meeting on elections past and future, hosted by National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL). This event takes place January 9–11, 2025 in Utah.

Your favorable attention and consideration of this request is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

GAIL PELLERIN, Assembly Member
Twenty-eighth District

January 9, 2025

*The Honorable Robert Rivas
Speaker of the Assembly
State Capitol, Room 219
Sacramento, California*

Dear Mr. Speaker: I respectfully request permission to be excused from Floor Session on Thursday, January 9th due to the State of Emergency in Riverside County.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

KATE A. SANCHEZ, Assemblywoman
Seventy-first District

January 8, 2025

*The Honorable Robert Rivas
Speaker of the Assembly
State Capitol, Room 219
Sacramento, California*

Dear Speaker Rivas: I respectfully request permission to be excused from Floor Session on January 9, 2025 for legislative business to attend to a district emergency.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

RICK CHAVEZ ZBUR, Assembly Member
Fifty-first District

(NOTE: For letters explaining the absence of Assembly Members Bryan, Caloza, Gabriel, Harabedian, Irwin, Celeste Rodriguez, and Schultz on this day on legislative business, pursuant to the Assembly Rules, see Assembly Journal for January 8, 2025.)

ASSEMBLY RULE 118(a) SUSPENDED—PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Assembly Member Soria was granted unanimous consent that Assembly Rule 118(a) be suspended granting the privileges of the Floor and permitting guests in the Chamber.

BILLS WITHDRAWN FROM COMMITTEE AND PLACED ON FILE

Assembly Member Aguiar-Curry was granted unanimous consent that Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 10 to be withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, and be placed on the third reading file.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Speaker pro Tempore Lowenthal, on request of Assembly Member Gallagher, was joined by the Members of the Assembly in observing a moment of silence to honor the memory of all of the victims of the shooting at the Feather River Adventist School in Oroville on Wednesday, December 4, 2024.

**CONSIDERATION OF DAILY FILE
THIRD READING OF ASSEMBLY BILLS**

ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8 (Wallis)—Relative to World Desert Day.

Resolution read.

**Members Made Coauthors of
Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 8**

Upon request of Assembly Member Wallis, the following Members were permitted to be listed as additional coauthors of Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 8.

Additional Coauthors

The following Assembly Members requested to be listed as additional coauthors:

Addis, Aguiar-Curry, Ahrens, Alanis, Alvarez, Arambula, Avila Farias, Bains, Bauer-Kahan, Bennett, Berman, Boerner, Bonta, Carrillo, Castillo, Chen, Connolly, Davies, DeMaio, Essayli, Fong, Gallagher, Garcia, Gipson, Gonzalez, J., González, M., Hadwick, Haney, Hart, Hoover, Jackson, Kalra, Lackey, Lowenthal, Macedo, McKinnor, Muratsuchi, Nguyen, Ortega, Pacheco, Papan, Patel, Patterson, Petrie-Norris, Quirk-Silva, Ramos, Ransom, Rivas, Rodriguez, M., Rogers, Rubio, Schiavo, Sharp-Collins, Solache Jr., Soria, Stefani, Ta, Tangipa, Valencia, Ward, Wicks, and Wilson.

Request for Unanimous Consent

Assembly Member Wallis was granted unanimous consent to take up Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 8, as revised, without reference to print or file, and that the same be considered engrossed.

Consideration of Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 8, as Revised

ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8—Relative to World Desert Day.

Resolution read, as revised, and adopted.

Resolution ordered reprinted and transmitted to the Senate.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Assembly Member Soria, of the 27th Assembly District, introduced Madera District 4 Supervisor, Leticia Gonzalez, and Madera District 5 Supervisor, Robert Macaulay.

RECESS

By unanimous consent, at 9:30 a.m., Speaker pro Tempore Lowenthal declared the Assembly recessed to reconvene the First Extraordinary Session.

RECONVENED

At 9:33 a.m., the Assembly reconvened.

Speaker pro Tempore of the Assembly, Josh Lowenthal, 69th District, presiding.

ADJOURN IN MEMORY

Assembly Member Gallagher was granted unanimous consent that when the Assembly adjourns on this day it do so out of respect to the memory of William Hudson of Marysville.

(Assembly Rule 45.5 suspended.)

ADJOURN IN MEMORY

Assembly Member Soria was granted unanimous consent that when the Assembly adjourns on this day it do so out of respect to the memory of Kevin Cox of Fresno.

(Assembly Rule 45.5 suspended.)

VOTE ADDS

The following Assembly Members were granted unanimous consent to record their votes on the following item:

Aguiar-Curry Motion: Valencia and Wicks—Aye.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Speaker pro Tempore Lowenthal announced the following session schedule:

- Friday, January 10, 2025, No session;
- Monday, January 13, 2025, Floor Session, 1 p.m.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

At 9:42 a.m., Assembly Member Aguiar-Curry moved that the Assembly do now adjourn.

Assembly Member Flora seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

QUORUM CALL OF THE ASSEMBLY DISPENSED WITH

At 9:42 a.m., without objection, Speaker pro Tempore Lowenthal declared the quorum call of the Assembly dispensed with.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF ASSEMBLY BILLS

The following bills were introduced and read the first time:

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 223—Pacheco. An act to amend Section 232 of the Code of Civil Procedure, relating to juries.

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 224—Bonta. An act to amend Section 1367.005 of the Health and Safety Code, and to amend Section 10112.27 of the Insurance Code, relating to health care coverage.

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 225—Bonta. An act to amend Section 4125 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to mental health.

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 226—Calderon and Alvarez (Principal coauthors: Harabedian, Irwin, Schiavo, and Zbur). An act to add Section 63087.5 to, and to add Article 11 (commencing with Section 63049.75) to Chapter 2 of Division 1 of Title 6.7 of, the Government Code, and to add Section 10100.3 to the Insurance Code, relating to insurance, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

The following resolution was offered:

ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 12—Quirk-Silva and Caloza. Relative to Fernando Valenzuela Day.

ADJOURNMENT

At 3 p.m., pursuant to the motion by Assembly Member Aguiar-Curry, the Assembly adjourned until 1 p.m., Monday, January 13, 2025, out of respect to the memory of William Hudson on motion of Assembly Member Gallagher; and out of respect to the memory of Kevin Cox on motion of Assembly Member Soria.

ROBERT RIVAS, Speaker

VERONICA BLEVINS, Assistant Minute Clerk

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