

## Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 153

### RESOLUTION CHAPTER 164

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 153—Relative to California Coastal Trail Day.

[Filed with Secretary of State September 19, 2008.]

#### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 153, Laird. California Coastal Trail Day.

This measure would declare October 11, 2008, as California Coastal Trail Day in California.

WHEREAS, The California Coastal Act of 1976 required local jurisdictions to identify an alignment for the California Coastal Trail, a continuous network of interconnecting trails throughout the coastal zone from the Oregon border to Mexico designed to foster appreciation and stewardship of the scenic and natural resources of the coast; and

WHEREAS, In 1999, the Governor designated the California Coastal Trail as California's Millennium Legacy Trail, a designation granted to one trail in each of the 50 states; and

WHEREAS, The Millennium Legacy Trail designation places the California Coastal Trail on a par with other nationally recognized long-distance trails such as the Appalachian Trail; and

WHEREAS, In the 2001–02 Regular Session, the Legislature declared the California Coastal Trail to be an official state trail and directed the State Coastal Conservancy, with the assistance of the California Coastal Commission and the Department of Parks and Recreation, to plan and develop the trail; and

WHEREAS, In 2007, the Legislature required state and regional transportation planning agencies to include provisions for the California Coastal Trail in their plans; and

WHEREAS, The 1,200-mile California Coastal Trail is currently 50 percent complete and provides unique public access opportunities for many Californians, from sandy beaches to paved paths; and

WHEREAS, When completed, the California Coastal Trail will make a significant contribution to the quality of life, public health, and economic vitality of the state; and

WHEREAS, The California Coastal Trail will be an invaluable resource for introducing people to one of the most stunning and diverse coastlines in the world, providing a respite for those who seek to renew and replenish their spirits; and

WHEREAS, The California Coastal Trail is a project that will continue to require visionary leadership, investments in long-range planning, and the

dedication of numerous agencies, volunteers, and communities; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate thereof concurring,* That the Legislature declares October 11, 2008, as California Coastal Trail Day in California; and be it further

*Resolved,* That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.