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RELATIVE TO HUMAN RIGHTS AND THE GENOCIDE OF ARMENIANS

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**VERSION:** Enrolled

VERSION-DATE: April 11, 1991

**TEXT:** WHEREAS, On April 24, 1915, the Turkish government initiated the systematic extermination of the Armenian people, which continued into 1923; and

WHEREAS, The death marches and massacres left one and one-half million, more than 60 percent, of the Armenian population of the Ottoman Empire dead, and removed the Armenian people from a homeland where they had resided for 3,000 years; and

WHEREAS, Seventy-six years have passed since the perpetration of this heinous crime, yet the Turkish government of today not only refuses to acknowledge this genocide, but continues to ignore the human rights of the Armenian people; and

WHEREAS, Armenians in several countries continue to endure daily acts of oppression, including the denial of their basic human rights; and

WHEREAS, The most recent wave of massacres and torture of Armenians in Baku, the capital of Azerbaijan, and the region of Nagorno-Karabagh, in the Union of the Soviet Socialist Republics, has alarmed many Californians; and

WHEREAS, The brutal aggression against Armenians living in Azerbaijan and Nagorno-Karabagh should be condemned and the organizers of these latest acts of violence against Armenians should be brought to justice; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, That the members recognize April 24, 1991, as a day of remembrance for all victims of genocide, especially those of

Armenian ancestry who succumbed to the genocides perpetrated in Turkey from 1915 to 1923, and more recently in Azerbaijan; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit two suitably prepared copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution. April 22, 1991

Approved \_\_\_\_\_, 1988

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Governor

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