

Resolution No. 2025-192

RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER 9, 2025, AS CALIFORNIA ADMISSION DAY, HONORING THE 175th ANNIVERSARY OF CALIFORNIA STATEHOOD, AND CELEBRATING SOLANO COUNTY AS ONE OF THE STATE'S ORIGINAL 27 COUNTIES

WHEREAS, In February of 1848, Mexico and the United States signed a treaty which ended the Mexican-American War and yielded a vast portion of the Southwest, including present day California, to the United States. Several days earlier, January 24, 1848, gold had been discovered on the American River near Sacramento. With the Gold Rush came a huge increase in population and a pressing need for civil government; and

WHEREAS, in 1849, Californians sought statehood following the Gold Rush and rapid population growth, and after extensive debate in the U.S. Congress, California was admitted to the Union on September 9, 1850, as part of the historic Compromise of 1850, becoming the 31st state; and

WHEREAS, California became the 31st state on September 9, 1850. The Golden State's rich history has since been shaped by people of every ethnic background who traveled here seeking economic, social and educational opportunity, and a life of quality and breathtaking beauty; and

WHEREAS, California situated its first capital in San Jose. The city did not have facilities ready for a proper capital, and the legislature was unsatisfied with the location, so former General and State Senator Mariano Guadalupe Vallejo donated land in the future city of Vallejo for a new capital. The legislature convened there for one week in 1852 and again for a month in 1853.

WHEREAS, again, the facilities available were unsuitable to house a state government, and the capital was soon moved three miles away to the little town of Benicia, inland from the San Francisco Bay. Although strategically sited between the Gold Rush territory of the Sierra Foothills and the financial port of San Francisco, the site was too small for expansion, and so the capital was moved further inland past the Sacramento River Delta to the riverside port of Sacramento in 1854; and

WHEREAS, Solano County is one of California's original 27 counties and proudly celebrates its 175th anniversary this year. Its boundaries were established on February 18, 1850, by the first elected legislature of the new State of California. Over the decades, it has evolved into a vibrant region known for its diverse communities, strong military and agricultural heritage, and significant contributions to California's cultural and economic landscape.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Solano County Board of Supervisors hereby recognizes September 9, 2025, as California Admission Day and honors the 175th anniversary of California Statehood.

Dated this 9th day of September 2025



MITCH H. MASHBURN, Chair
Solano County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:
BILL EMLÉN, Clerk
Solano County Board of Supervisors

By:
Alicia Draves, Chief Deputy Clerk