

Date of Hearing: April 13, 2026

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
ACR 158 (Solache) – As Introduced March 5, 2026

SUBJECT: Donate Life Month.

SUMMARY: Proclaims the month of April 2026 as Donate Life Month in the State of California; and, encourages all Californians to register with the Donate Life California Organ and Tissue Donor Registry. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) The Legislature has established an official state organ and tissue donor registry that has become the largest in the world, with almost 20 million people signed up to save and heal the lives of others after death although there is work to be done with our growing population of over 40 million.
- 2) California has the greatest need for transplantation in the nation, with almost 20,000 residents waiting for a second chance at life.
- 3) 1,853 Californians became organ donors in 2025 and over 4,000 lifesaving transplants were performed in our state that year. Tragically, more than 800 people died while waiting due to the shortage of available organs.
- 4) Donate Life California’s vision is that one day all Californians will embrace organ, eye, and tissue donation as their personal responsibility.
- 5) All Californians are encouraged to register with the Donate Life California Organ and Tissue Donor Registry by checking “YES!” for organ and tissue donation when applying for or renewing a driver’s license or identification card.

FISCAL EFFECT: This resolution is keyed non-fiscal by Legislative Counsel.

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

Donate Life California

Opposition

None on file

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