

Date of Hearing: June 15, 2026

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
ACR 219 (Papan) – As Introduced June 3, 2026

SUBJECT: California OB-GYN Week.

SUMMARY: Designates the week of May 24, 2026, to May 30, 2026, inclusive, as California OB-GYN Week; and, recognizes the essential contributions of OB-GYNs to the health care system and the critical role they play in delivering comprehensive, preventive, and primary care services. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Obstetricians and gynecologists (OB-GYNs) are uniquely trained physicians and surgeons who provide comprehensive health care services to patients across their lifespan, from childhood through menopause and beyond.
- 2) OB-GYNs receive extensive education and clinical training in reproductive physiology and the physiological, social, cultural, environmental, and genetic factors that influence health and disease.
- 3) For millions of women, transgender individuals, and birthing people across California, OB-GYNs serve not only as specialists but also as their primary care clinicians, often representing the first, and sometimes only, point of contact with the health care system.
- 4) OB-GYNs routinely provide a wide range of preventive and primary care services beyond pregnancy-related care, including screenings for cancer, cardiovascular disease, and diabetes, management of acute and chronic conditions, vaccinations, and counseling on behavioral health, nutrition, and substance use.
- 5) Women compose more than one-half of California's population and are more likely to face barriers in accessing primary care services, making the role of OB-GYNs critical in ensuring equitable access to care.
- 6) Investing in OB-GYNs when they are delivering primary care services will expand access to care and strengthen OB-GYNs as primary care providers who serve as the backbone of women's health care.

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

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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