

THIRD READING

Bill No: ACR 222
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Introduced: 6/4/26
Vote: 21

SUBJECT: Alzheimer's Disease and Brain Awareness Month

SOURCE: Author

DIGEST: This resolution declares the month of June 2026 as Alzheimer's Disease and Brain Awareness Month, and urges all Californians to commemorate the month of June 2026 as Alzheimer's Disease and Brain Awareness Month.

ANALYSIS: This resolution makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) The month of June 2026 has been declared Alzheimer's Disease and Brain Awareness Month to help educate the public on this debilitating disease, increase efforts to combat its human and economic costs, and encourage all Californians to take charge of their brain health.
- 2) California has 720,000 residents living with Alzheimer's disease, more than any other state in the nation. Californians with dementia will visit emergency departments nearly 1 million times per year and are readmitted to the hospital one out of five times after discharge.
- 3) Alzheimer's disease was the leading cause of death in adults 85 years of age and older, and the second leading cause of death overall, in California in 2024, as stated in the 2026 California State of Public Health Report.
- 4) Recent research published by the State Department of Public Health in 2021 indicates that, over the next 20 years, the impact of Alzheimer's disease and related dementia will increase dramatically. While the population of California will expand by 16 percent, the population of people living with Alzheimer's disease will expand by 127 percent.
- 5) Age is the greatest known risk factor for Alzheimer's disease, which has no proven way to prevent it and currently has no cure.

- 6) Californians invest in Alzheimer's disease research through the voluntary contribution funds and have raised more than \$25 million since its inception for research into treatments to slow the progression of, and develop a cure for, the disease.

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Related/Prior Legislation

SCR 75 (Weber Pierson, Resolution Chapter 135, Statutes of 2025)

ACR 204 (Soria, Resolution Chapter 142, Statutes of 2024)

ACR 64 (Bains, Resolution Chapter 119, Statutes of 2023)

FISCAL EFFECT: Appropriation: No Fiscal Com.: No Local: No

SUPPORT: (Verified 7/1/26)

None received

OPPOSITION: (Verified 7/1/26)

None received

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