

THIRD READING

Bill No: ACR 232
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Vote: 21

SUBJECT: Direct Support Professional Recognition Week

SOURCE: Author

DIGEST: This resolution declares the week of September 13 to September 19, 2026, inclusive, as Direct Support Professional Recognition Week in California

ANALYSIS: This resolution makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) September 13 to September 19, 2026, is recognized nationwide as Direct Support Professional Recognition Week.
- 2) The Lanterman Developmental Disabilities Services Act (Lanterman Act) promises Californians with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) the services and supports they need to pursue lives of their own choosing. California is the only state that has established this entitlement for residents with IDD.
- 3) Direct support professionals provide life-changing services and supports to Californians with IDD and their families, becoming integral in their day-to-day lives.
- 4) Direct support professionals provide essential support that empowers Californians with IDD to live safely in their homes, thrive in their communities, and contribute to local economies.
- 5) Through their important work, direct support professionals promote independence and create opportunities that make access and inclusion a reality.

This resolution recognizes direct support professionals across the state for their unwavering dedication, expertise, and integrity.

Related/Prior Legislation

HR 70 (Arambula, 2025) – Adopted in Assembly.

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

SUPPORT: (Verified 8/11/26)

None received

OPPOSITION: (Verified 8/11/26)

None received

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