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THIRD READING

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Bill No: ACR 70  
Author: Pellerin (D), et al.  
Amended: 7/9/25 in Senate  
Vote: 21

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ASSEMBLY FLOOR: 77-0, 6/3/25 (Consent) - See last page for vote

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**SUBJECT:** Suicide Prevention Awareness Month

**SOURCE:** Author

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**DIGEST:** This resolution proclaims September 2025 as Suicide Prevention Awareness Month.

*Senate Floor Amendments* of 7/9/25 add co-authors to the resolution and make a nonsubstantive technical change.

**ANALYSIS:** This resolution makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) September is known nationally as “Suicide Prevention Awareness Month” to raise the visibility of the mental health resources and suicide prevention service available in our community.
- 2) Suicide is a serious public health problem that affects individuals, families, and communities across California. Four thousand three hundred twelve people died by suicide in California in 2022, which, according to the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, was more than twice the number of homicides.
- 3) LGBTQIA+ youth were almost five times as likely to have attempted suicide compared to heterosexual youth, 54% of transgender and nonbinary youth in California considered suicide, and 19% of transgender and nonbinary youth attempted suicide in the past year.
- 4) It may be beneficial to focus prevention programs and resources on vulnerable populations who are most at risk of suicide, including White males, LGBTQIA+ individuals, particularly transgender individuals, youth, veterans

and military personnel, Native Americans, rural and underserved populations, and Black Californians who have seen an increased rate of suicide.

- 5) California's goal is to ensure that individuals, friends, and families have access to the resources they need to discuss suicide prevention and to seek help.

This resolution hereby proclaims the month of September 2025 as Suicide Prevention Awareness Month.

### **Related/Prior Legislation**

ACR 229 (Pellerin, Resolution Chapter 198, Statutes of 2024)

ACR 106 (Pellerin, Resolution Chapter 167, Statutes of 2023)

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

**SUPPORT:** (Verified 6/10/25)

None received

**OPPOSITION:** (Verified 6/10/25)

None received

**ASSEMBLY FLOOR:** 77-0, 6/3/25

**AYES:** Addis, Aguiar-Curry, Ahrens, Alanis, Alvarez, Arambula, Ávila Farías, Bains, Bauer-Kahan, Bennett, Berman, Boerner, Bonta, Bryan, Calderon, Caloza, Carrillo, Castillo, Chen, Connolly, DeMaio, Dixon, Elhawary, Ellis, Flora, Fong, Gabriel, Gallagher, Garcia, Gipson, Jeff Gonzalez, Mark González, Hadwick, Haney, Harabedian, Hart, Hoover, Irwin, Jackson, Kalra, Krell, Lackey, Lee, Lowenthal, Macedo, McKinnor, Muratsuchi, Nguyen, Ortega, Pacheco, Papan, Patel, Patterson, Pellerin, Petrie-Norris, Ramos, Ransom, Celeste Rodriguez, Michelle Rodriguez, Rogers, Blanca Rubio, Sanchez, Schiavo, Schultz, Sharp-Collins, Solache, Soria, Stefani, Ta, Tangipa, Valencia, Wallis, Ward, Wicks, Wilson, Zbur, Rivas

**NO VOTE RECORDED:** Davies, Quirk-Silva

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