Date of Hearing: September 3, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES

Blanca Pacheco, Chair HR 70 (Arambula) – As Introduced August 29, 2025

SUBJECT: Direct Support Professional Recognition Week.

SUMMARY: Declares the week of September 7, 2025, to September 13, 2025, inclusive, to be Direct Support Professional Recognition Week; and, honors direct support professionals for building a more inclusive and accessible California. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) The Lanterman Developmental Disabilities Services Act (Lanterman Act) promises Californians with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) the services and supports they need to pursue the lives of their own choosing.
- 2) California is the only state that has established this entitlement for services and supports for residents with IDD. The regional center system will serve more than 450,000 Californians with IDD and their families in the coming year.
- 3) Direct support professionals provide services and supports to Californians with IDD and their families, becoming integral in their day-to-day lives. Direct support professionals provide essential support that empowers Californians with IDD to live safely in their homes and thrive in their communities.
- 4) Through their important work, direct support professionals promote independence and create opportunities that make inclusion a reality.
- 5) September 7, 2025, to September 13, 2025, inclusive, is recognized nationwide as Direct Support Professional Recognition Week.

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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