

THIRD READING

Bill No: SCR 133
Author: Grayson (D) and Wahab (D), et al.
Introduced: 2/23/26
Vote: 21

SUBJECT: California Down Syndrome Awareness Month and California Down Syndrome Awareness Day

SOURCE: Author

DIGEST: This resolution states that March 2026 is proclaimed California Down Syndrome Awareness Month, and March 21, 2026, is proclaimed California Down Syndrome Day.

ANALYSIS: This resolution makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Down syndrome occurs when an individual has a full or partial extra copy of chromosome 21. This additional genetic material alters the course of development and causes the characteristics associated with Down syndrome. Down syndrome is a chromosomal disorder that occurs in 1 out of every 700 to 1,000 births.
- 2) Individuals with Down syndrome attend school, work, participate in decisions that affect them, have meaningful relationships, vote, and contribute to society in many wonderful ways. This inclusiveness facilitates the participation of individuals with Down syndrome in society and helps them fulfill their personal potential.
- 3) The inherent dignity, worth, and valuable contributions of persons with Down syndrome as promoters of well-being and diversity of their communities, and the importance of their individual autonomy and independence, including the freedom to make their own choices, should be recognized.
- 4) This resolution states that March 2026 is proclaimed California Down Syndrome Awareness Month, and March 21, 2026, is proclaimed California Down Syndrome Day.

Related/Prior Legislation

SCR 35 (Grayson, Resolution Chapter 44, Statutes of 2025)

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

SUPPORT: (Verified 3/3/26)

None received

OPPOSITION: (Verified 3/3/26)

None received

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