

Date of Hearing: August 24, 2026

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES
Blanca Pacheco, Chair
SCR 194 (Seyarto) – As Introduced August 3, 2026

SENATE VOTE: 39-0

SUBJECT: Service Dog Appreciation Month.

SUMMARY: Proclaims the month of September 2026 as Service Dog Appreciation Month in California. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Service dogs are extraordinary animals that enable their human companions to live their fullest lives.
- 2) California benefits from the assistance of K-9 officers, search and rescue dogs, and many other service dogs that serve their communities.
- 3) Service dogs are trained to perform specific tasks for people in their careers and everyday lives. They can be trained to retrieve objects, assist with balance, give seizure or diabetic alerts, or assist those with psychiatric disabilities.
- 4) Service dogs also serve our nation's wounded warriors suffering from conditions including post-traumatic stress disorders and traumatic brain injuries.
- 5) Studies have shown that these incredible animals offer great benefits to their owners, including reduced anxiety, lower blood pressure, and faster recovery from medical events.
- 6) September is celebrated as National Service Dog Month each year to honor the contribution skilled K-9 partners offer to their owners.

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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