

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 119

RESOLUTION CHAPTER 97

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SCR 119, Wolk. Plasma Protein Therapies Month.

This measure would designate September 2010 as Plasma Protein Therapies Month and would encourage the people of the State of California to observe the month with appropriate programs and activities.

WHEREAS, Patients with rare, chronic, genetic diseases and disorders across the United States rely upon access to plasma-derived and recombinant analog therapies, known collectively as “plasma protein therapies,” to treat life-threatening conditions; and

WHEREAS, These disorders, including, but not limited to, hemophilia, von Willebrand disease, primary immunodeficiency diseases, Chronic Inflammatory Demyelinating Polyneuropathy (CIDP), Kawasaki disease, and alpha 1-antitrypsin deficiency, are most effectively treated with plasma protein therapies; and

WHEREAS, Individuals afflicted with these rare disorders require access to the full range of plasma protein therapies to help ensure the best possible clinical outcomes; and

WHEREAS, These individuals benefit from access to the appropriate providers; and

WHEREAS, These individuals need access to options in pharmacy services and the delivery of home supported services; and

WHEREAS, Access to comprehensive care has been shown to markedly improve patient outcomes; and

WHEREAS, There are 10 plasma collection centers in the State of California certified under the International Quality Plasma Program where healthy, committed donors provide plasma used to manufacture high impact, life saving therapies; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly thereof concurring, That the month of September 2010 is recognized as “Plasma Protein Therapies Month” and the people of the State of California are encouraged to observe this month with appropriate programs and activities; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the President and Vice President of the United States, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Majority Leader of the Senate,

to each Senator and Representative from California in the Congress of the United States, and to the author for appropriate distribution.

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