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Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 194

Introduced by Assembly Member Low

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Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 194—Relative to Childhood Cancer Awareness Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 194, as amended, Low. Childhood Cancer Awareness Month.

This measure would proclaim the month of September 2016 as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month, and state the commitment of the Legislature to support efforts to find cures for, and achieve prevention of, childhood cancer.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, Cancer is a leading cause of death by disease
2 among children in this country; and

3 WHEREAS, Many children in California are afflicted with
4 cancer, experiencing enormous pain and suffering, and they and
5 their families require extraordinary levels of information and
6 support in their struggles against this disease; and

7 WHEREAS, Peer support services have been proven to
8 significantly improve the quality of life for children diagnosed
9 with cancer and their families, including summer and seasonal
10 camps, such as Camp Okizu, Camp Summersault, Seany's Camp
11 Reach for the Sky, and the World's Greatest Camp; and

12 WHEREAS, Psychosocial services, such as those provided by
13 Kids Cancer Connection and American Cancer Fund for Children,
14 have been demonstrated to improve the morale and quality of life
15 of these courageous children and their families; and

16 WHEREAS, Successful prevention and treatment of many types
17 of childhood cancer have not yet been achieved; and

18 WHEREAS, The conquest of cancer, a complex and intractable
19 foe, requires a high level of commitment in order to provide the
20 necessary resources and research; and

21 WHEREAS, California has many of the world's finest medical,
22 academic, and commercial institutions, and must continue as a
23 leader in the fight against this terrible disease; and

24 WHEREAS, Increased public awareness of this major public
25 health problem is a crucial step toward finding solutions; and

26 WHEREAS, Childhood Cancer Awareness Month is an
27 important nationwide tool for raising awareness among
28 governmental officials and the public about the nature and scope
29 of this problem; now, therefore, be it

30 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
31 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature hereby recognizes and
32 declares September 2016 as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month;
33 and be it further

34 *Resolved*, That the Legislature is committed to supporting efforts
35 to find cures for, and achieve prevention of, childhood cancer; and
36 be it further

1 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
2 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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5 CORRECTIONS:

6 Heading—Line 2.

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