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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2005—06 REGULAR SESSION

**Assembly Concurrent Resolution**

**No. 15**

**Introduced by Assembly Member Evans**

February 15, 2005

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 15—Relative to In-Home Supportive Services Home Care Worker Recognition Week.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 15, as amended, Evans. ~~In-Home~~ *In-Home* Supportive Services Home Care Worker Recognition Week.

This bill would proclaim the second week of November to be ~~In-Home~~ *In-Home* Supportive Services (IHSS) Home Care Worker Recognition Week, and would recognize, and commend the contributions of IHSS caregivers who give their time, patience, care, and support to their families and the entire community.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, For over a quarter of a century California has  
2 provided home care services to a very high proportion of its  
3 residents through a unique, fiscally sound alternative to  
4 institutional care; and

5 WHEREAS, That home care program, In-Home Supportive  
6 Services (IHSS), is now recognized nationally and is being  
7 replicated in other states as the preferred way to provide  
8 assistance to people who need ~~long term~~ *long-term* care; and

9 WHEREAS, IHSS ~~now serves nearly 345,000~~ *is estimated by*  
10 *the State Department of Social Services to serve 374,986* aging,

1 disabled, and blind residents *in the 2005-06 fiscal year* at one  
2 fifth of the cost to ~~tax payers~~ *taxpayers* as care provided in  
3 nursing homes; and

4 WHEREAS, Nearly 325,000 IHSS home care workers provide  
5 home care services and support, making it possible for ~~345,000~~  
6 *approximately 375,000* low-income disabled and elderly  
7 residents in California to remain living independently in their  
8 homes; and

9 WHEREAS, In 2004, numerous national organizations joined  
10 together in declaring the month of November as National Home  
11 Care Month to ~~Recognize~~ *recognize*, honor and support the  
12 valuable contributions of home care workers; and

13 WHEREAS, Providing services and support for the disabled  
14 and elderly to remain living in their homes is a humane,  
15 dignified, and compassionate alternative to hospitalization or  
16 other institutional placement; and

17 WHEREAS, The work of California’s IHSS home care  
18 workers requires great sensitivity, honesty, patience, trust,  
19 commitment, dedication, and compassion; and

20 WHEREAS, The work of California’s IHSS home care  
21 workers is both physically demanding and emotionally  
22 challenging; and

23 WHEREAS, The work of California’s IHSS home care  
24 workers promotes independence, dignity, and quality-of-life for  
25 California’s disabled and elderly residents; now, therefore, be it

26 ~~Resolved By The Assembly Of The State Of By the Assembly of~~  
27 ~~the State of California, the Senate thereof concurring,~~ That the  
28 Legislature hereby proclaims the second week of November as  
29 In-Home Supportive Services Home Care Worker Recognition  
30 Week; and be it further

31 ~~Resolved, that~~ *That* the Legislature recognizes and commends  
32 the contributions of IHSS home care workers who give their  
33 time, patience, care, and support to their families and the entire  
34 community.

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