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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2005—06 REGULAR SESSION

## **Assembly Concurrent Resolution**

**No. 15**

### **Introduced by Assembly Member Evans**

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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 Supportive Services Home Care Worker Recognition Week.

This bill would proclaim the second week of November to be 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 care; and

9 WHEREAS, IHSS is estimated by the State Department of  
10 Social Services to serve 374,986 aging, disabled, and blind  
11 residents in the 2005–06 fiscal year at one fifth of the cost to  
12 taxpayers as care provided in nursing homes; and

13 WHEREAS, Nearly 325,000 IHSS home care workers provide  
14 home care services and support, making it possible for  
15 approximately 375,000 low-income disabled and elderly  
16 residents in California to remain living independently in their  
17 homes; and

18 WHEREAS, In 2004, numerous national organizations joined  
19 together in declaring the month of November as National Home  
20 Care Month to recognize, honor and support the valuable  
21 contributions of home care workers; and

22 WHEREAS, Providing services and support for the disabled  
23 and elderly to remain living in their homes is a humane,  
24 dignified, and compassionate alternative to hospitalization or  
25 other institutional placement; and

26 WHEREAS, The work of California’s IHSS home care  
27 workers requires great sensitivity, honesty, patience, trust,  
28 commitment, dedication, and compassion; and

29 WHEREAS, The work of California’s IHSS home care  
30 workers is both physically demanding and emotionally  
31 challenging; and

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

35 *Resolved By the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*  
36 *thereof concurring,* That the Legislature hereby proclaims the

1 second week of November as In-Home Supportive Services  
2 Home Care Worker Recognition Week; and be it further  
3 *Resolved*, That the Legislature recognizes and commends the  
4 contributions of IHSS home care workers who give their time,  
5 patience, care, and support to their families and the entire  
6 community.

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