

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 71

Introduced by Assembly Member Fletcher

June 27, 2011

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 71—Relative to Plasma Protein Therapies Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 71, as introduced, Fletcher. Plasma Protein Therapies Month.

This measure would recognize September 2011 as Plasma Protein Therapies Month and encourage the people of California to observe this month with appropriate programs and activities.

Fiscal committee: no.

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

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

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

1 WHEREAS, These individuals benefit from access to the
2 appropriate providers of these therapies; and

3 WHEREAS, These individuals need pharmacy options and the
4 delivery of home-supported services; and

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

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

12 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
13 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature recognizes the month of
14 September 2011, as Plasma Protein Therapies Month, and
15 encourages the people of California to observe this month with
16 appropriate programs and activities; and be it further

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