
THIRD READING

Bill No: ACR 207
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Vote: 21

ASSEMBLY FLOOR: Read and adopted, 6/30/22

SUBJECT: Sickle Cell Awareness Day

SOURCE: Author

DIGEST: This resolution recognizes June 19, 2022, as Sickle Cell Awareness Day in California.

ANALYSIS: This resolution makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Sickle cell disease is a chronic condition that can affect any organ, including the kidneys, lungs, and spleen, and research indicates that patients experience many severe complications, including stroke, infections, and pulmonary embolism, and have a shorter life expectancy than the general population.
- 2) Vasoocclusive crises are a common painful complication of sickle cell disease in adolescents and adults that may occur several times per year, and these recurrent episodes induce severe pain, decrease quality of life, can cause life-threatening complications, including stroke, are the primary cause of hospitalizations in sickle cell disease, and are associated with increased mortality.
- 3) Sickle cell disease can be a life-threatening condition, leading to a 25-year to 30-year reduction in life expectancy, and access to comprehensive care can be limited by social, economic, cultural, and geographic barriers.
- 4) Although there is no widely available cure for sickle cell disease, one-time gene therapies, including gene editing therapeutic approaches, are being developed and may offer potential cures for some patients.

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Related/Prior Legislation

ACR 286 (Kamlager-Dove, Resolution Chapter 223, Statutes of 2018) recognized the month of September 2018 as Sickle Cell Disease Awareness Month in California.

ACR 128 (Brown, Resolution Chapter 171, Statutes of 2016) recognized the month of September 2016 as Sickle Cell Anemia Awareness Month.

FISCAL EFFECT: Appropriation: No Fiscal Com.: No Local: No

SUPPORT: (Verified 8/2/22)

None received

OPPOSITION: (Verified 8/2/22)

None received

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