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HR-111 (2021-2022)

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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE— 2021–2022 REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE RESOLUTION

NO. 111

Introduced by Assembly Member Seyarto

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May 24, 2022

Relative to Service Dog Appreciation Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

HR 111, as introduced, Seyarto.

WHEREAS, Service dogs are extraordinary animals that enable their human companions to live their fullest lives; and

WHEREAS, The training and testing to become a service dog is difficult and only 30%-50% of candidates are successful in meeting the rigorous standards.

WHEREAS, California benefits from the assistance of K-9 officers, search and rescue dogs, and many other service dogs that serve their communities; and

WHEREAS, Service dogs are trained to perform specific tasks for people in their careers and everyday lives. They can be trained to retrieve objects, assist with balance, give seizure or diabetic alerts, or assist those with psychiatric disabilities; and

WHEREAS, Service dogs also serve our nation's wounded warriors suffering from conditions including post-traumatic stress disorder and traumatic brain injury; and

WHEREAS, Studies have shown that these incredible animals offer great benefits to their owners, including reduced anxiety, lower blood pressure, and faster recovery from medical events; and

WHEREAS, According to recent studies, approximately 80 million people are helped by service dogs. Though millions more need service dogs, the wait time to get one averages about three years.

WHEREAS, September is celebrated as National Service Dog Month each year to honor the contribution skilled K-9 partners offer their owners; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, That the Assembly hereby proclaims the month of September 2022 as Service Dog Appreciation Month; and be it further

Resolved, That Californians are grateful for the service and dedication these loyal companions provide for their owners and communities; and be it further

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

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