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**SR-68** (2021-2022)

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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE— 2021–2022 REGULAR SESSION

## SENATE RESOLUTION

**NO. 68**

Introduced by Senator Limón

February 16, 2022

Relative to National Caregivers Day.

### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SR 68, Limón.

WHEREAS, National Caregivers Day was founded by the Providers Association for Home Health and Hospice Agencies in 2015; and

WHEREAS, National Caregivers Day was first observed on February 19, 2016, and is annually observed on the third Friday in February; and

WHEREAS, Professional caregivers, who number nearly 4,600,000 in the United States, and family caregivers who are estimated at 44,000,000 by the American Association of Retired Persons, are lifelines to millions of Americans who need assistance with medical, personal, and end-of-life care; and

WHEREAS, Caregiving has been proclaimed the ultimate form of love and respect, and as a state and country, we should support and demonstrate our gratitude for caregivers and their role in fulfilling an individual's desire to remain at home; and

WHEREAS, The home care industry is among the fastest growing health care industries in our state and nation and frontline caregivers are essential in the fight against COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Caregivers have stepped up to the challenge of COVID-19, not only caring for their clients, but also risking their own personal health and safety while doing so; and

WHEREAS, Home care workers allow families to stay together at home safely, and with dignity, as they age; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, That the Senate recognizes February 18, 2022, as National Caregivers Day to recognize caregivers across the United States whose compassionate care enables millions of Americans who are aging or who have a disability to remain as independent as possible in their own homes; and be it further

Resolved, That the Senate expresses its gratitude to caregivers for their unwavering commitment to the care of their clients and families especially during the COVID-19 pandemic; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.