

**Assembly Concurrent Resolution**

**No. 56**

**Introduced by Assembly Members Steinberg and Aroner**

April 16, 2001

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 56—Relative to foster care.

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ACR 56, as introduced, Steinberg. Foster care.

This measure would acknowledge the month of May 2001, as Foster Care Awareness Month and urge all citizens to give recognition and appreciation to foster parents.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, More than 110,000 children throughout California  
2 are provided essential services through the foster care system each  
3 year; and  
4 WHEREAS, Children who cannot live with their biological  
5 families because of abuse, neglect, or abandonment require the  
6 commitment and nurturing care of foster parents; and  
7 WHEREAS, Foster parents play an essential role in breaking  
8 the cycle of child abuse and promoting the reunification of families  
9 requiring foster care services; and  
10 WHEREAS, Foster parents contribute greatly to their  
11 communities and the state by meeting the vital needs of dependent  
12 children; and  
13 WHEREAS, The Members of the California Legislature wish  
14 to acknowledge the important role of foster parents and the foster  
15 care system; and



1 WHEREAS, Public and private child welfare agencies  
2 throughout California host foster parent appreciation events  
3 during the month of May; and

4 WHEREAS, There remains a critical shortage of foster homes  
5 for teenagers, ethnic minorities, infants, and special needs  
6 children; now therefore, be it

7 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*  
8 *thereof concurring*, That the month of May 2001 be recognized as  
9 “California Foster Care Awareness Month” and that all citizens be  
10 urged to give recognition and appreciation to foster parents for the  
11 care that they provide; and be it further

12 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit a copy  
13 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

