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Monday, August 23, 2021  
12:45 p.m.  
State Capitol, Room 437

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**BILL REFERRALS**

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**RESOLUTIONS**

2. HR-62 (Akilah Weber) Red Ribbon Week.
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# Memo

**To:** Rules Committee Members  
**From:** Michael Erke, Bill Referral Consultant  
**Date:** 8/23/2021  
**Re:** Consent Bill Referrals

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Attached is a list of bill referral recommendations.

## REFERRAL OF BILLS TO COMMITTEE

08/23/2021

Pursuant to the Assembly Rules, the following bills were referred to committee:

| Assembly Bill No. | Committee: |
|-------------------|------------|
| <u>SB 6</u>       | H. & C.D.  |
| <u>SB 631</u>     | APPR.      |
| <u>SB 679</u>     | H. & C.D.  |

## House Resolution

No. 62

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Akilah Weber**

August 16, 2021

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House Resolution No. 62—Relative to Red Ribbon Week.

- 1 WHEREAS, Community Alliances for Drug-Free Youth, Inc.  
2 (CADFY), a statewide nonprofit organization, the office of the  
3 Governor, the office of the Attorney General, the State Department  
4 of Education, the California State Parent Teacher Association, and  
5 over 100 other statewide agencies, departments, and organizations  
6 have been strong advocates for Red Ribbon Week; and  
7 WHEREAS, The National Family Partnership initiated the Red  
8 Ribbon Campaign after United States Drug Enforcement  
9 Administration agent Enrique “Kiki” S. Camarena was killed in  
10 Mexico by drug traffickers in 1985; and  
11 WHEREAS, Parents, youth, schools, businesses, law  
12 enforcement, religious institutions, service organizations, senior  
13 citizens, medical and military personnel, sports teams, and others  
14 concerned about the effects of drugs on our communities will  
15 demonstrate their commitment to drug-free, healthy lifestyles by  
16 wearing and displaying red ribbons during this weeklong  
17 celebration; and  
18 WHEREAS, Securing a safe and healthy future for our children  
19 is directly threatened by drug abuse, and awareness of this problem  
20 will help individuals in fighting drug abuse; and  
21 WHEREAS, The objective of Red Ribbon Week will be to  
22 promote this view through drug prevention, education, parental  
23 involvement, and communitywide support; and

1 WHEREAS, The Assembly of the State of California has further  
2 committed its resources to ensure the success of the Red Ribbon  
3 Week celebration; now, therefore, be it

4 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the  
5 Assembly hereby proclaims its support for the Red Ribbon Week  
6 celebration by proclaiming the period of October 23 to 31, 2021,  
7 inclusive, and October 23 to 31, 2022, inclusive, as Red Ribbon  
8 Week; and be it further

9 *Resolved*, That the Assembly encourages all Californians to help  
10 build drug-free communities and to participate in drug prevention  
11 activities by making a visible statement that we are firmly  
12 committed to healthy, productive, and drug-free lifestyles; and be  
13 it further

14 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies  
15 of this resolution to the Governor, and to the author for appropriate  
16 distribution throughout the state.

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Date of Hearing: August 23, 2021

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES  
Ken Cooley, Chair  
HR 62 (Akilah Weber) – As Introduced August 16, 2021

**SUBJECT:** Red Ribbon Week.

**SUMMARY:** Proclaims the period of October 23 to 31, 2021, inclusive, and October 23 to 31, 2022, inclusive, as Red Ribbon Week. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Community Alliances for Drug-Free Youth, Inc. (CADFY), a statewide nonprofit organization, the office of the Governor, the office of the Attorney General, the State Department of Education, the California State Parent Teacher Association, and over 100 other statewide agencies, departments, and organizations have been strong advocates for Red Ribbon Week.
- 2) The National Family Partnership initiated the Red Ribbon Campaign after United States Drug Enforcement Administration agent Enrique “Kiki” S. Camarena was killed in Mexico by drug traffickers in 1985.
- 3) Securing a safe and healthy future for our children is directly threatened by drug abuse, and awareness of this problem will help individuals in fighting drug abuse.
- 4) The objective of Red Ribbon Week will be to promote this view through drug prevention, education, parental involvement, and communitywide support.
- 5) The Assembly of the State of California has further committed its resources to ensure the success of the Red Ribbon Week celebration.

**FISCAL EFFECT:** None

**REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:**

**Support**

None on file

**Opposition**

None on file

**Analysis Prepared by:** Michael Erke / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

## House Resolution

No. 64

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Maienschein**

August 16, 2021

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House Resolution No. 64—Relative to Thyroid Eye Disease Awareness Week.

1 WHEREAS, Thyroid Eye Disease, or TED, is a serious,  
2 progressive, and rare autoimmune condition, in which the body's  
3 immune system mistakenly attacks healthy muscle and fat tissue  
4 behind the eye causing inflammation and scar tissue to form; and  
5 WHEREAS, People living with TED often have debilitating  
6 symptoms, including eye bulging, double vision, blurred vision,  
7 pain, and facial disfigurement. In more severe cases, it can lead to  
8 blindness; and  
9 WHEREAS, People living with TED often experience long-term  
10 functional, psychosocial, and economic burdens, such as the  
11 inability to work or perform basic functions for daily living; and  
12 WHEREAS, The exact underlying process that causes TED is  
13 not fully understood, and the disease is a serious, vision-threatening  
14 condition that is capable of worsening over time; and  
15 WHEREAS, TED is a rare disease that affects an estimated 16  
16 out of every 100,000 women and less than 3 out of every 100,000  
17 men; and  
18 WHEREAS, Cases of TED, although rare, do affect  
19 approximately 7,500 Californians per year; and  
20 WHEREAS, A diagnosis of TED is based upon identification  
21 of characteristic symptoms, a detailed patient history, a thorough  
22 clinical evaluation, and a variety of specialized tests. There is a  
23 genetic component to the condition, and people who have a family

1 member with the disease, or any other autoimmune disease, are at  
2 a greater risk of developing TED; and

3 WHEREAS, Thyroid Eye Disease Awareness Week has been  
4 established at the national level through a collaboration between  
5 advocacy groups, including the American Autoimmune Related  
6 Diseases Association, Inc., the Alliance for Eye and Vision  
7 Research, the Graves' Disease and Thyroid Foundation, Prevent  
8 Blindness, and the National Biotechnology Innovation  
9 Organization; now, therefore, be it

10 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the  
11 Assembly declares the week of November 14, 2021, to November  
12 20, 2021, inclusive, as Thyroid Eye Disease Awareness Week to  
13 increase awareness of TED and its impacts; and be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: August 23, 2021

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES  
Ken Cooley, Chair  
HR 64 (Maienschein) – As Introduced August 16, 2021

**SUBJECT:** Thyroid Eye Disease Awareness Week.

**SUMMARY:** Declares the week of November 14, 2021, to November 20, 2021, inclusive, as Thyroid Eye Disease Awareness Week to increase awareness of TED and its impacts. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) Thyroid Eye Disease, or TED, is a serious, progressive, and rare autoimmune condition, in which the body's immune system mistakenly attacks healthy muscle and fat tissue behind the eye causing inflammation and scar tissue to form.
- 2) People living with TED often have debilitating symptoms, including eye bulging, double vision, blurred vision, pain, and facial disfigurement. In more severe cases, it can lead to blindness. They also often experience long-term functional, psychosocial, and economic burdens, such as the inability to work or perform basic functions for daily living.
- 3) The exact underlying process that causes TED is not fully understood, and the disease is a serious, vision-threatening condition that is capable of worsening over time.
- 4) TED affects an estimated 16 out of every 100,000 women and less than 3 out of every 100,000 men. Cases of TED, although rare, do affect approximately 7,500 Californians per year.
- 5) A diagnosis of TED is based upon identification of characteristic symptoms, a detailed patient history, a thorough clinical evaluation, and a variety of specialized tests. There is a genetic component to the condition, and people who have a family member with the disease, or any other autoimmune disease, are at a greater risk of developing TED.
- 6) Thyroid Eye Disease Awareness Week has also been established at the national level through a collaboration between numerous advocacy groups.

**FISCAL EFFECT:** None

**REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:**

**Support**

None on file

**Opposition**

None on file

**Analysis Prepared by:** Michael Erke / RLS. / (916) 319-2800

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**Introduced by Senator Cortese**

March 8, 2021

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Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 18—Relative to Compassionate California.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SCR 18, as introduced, Cortese. Compassionate California.

This measure would declare California to be the first Compassionate State in the United States of America.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, The Charter for Compassion, initiated by TED  
2 Prize winner Karen Armstrong, was unveiled at the United Nations  
3 in 2009, and carries forth the vision of creating a global civil  
4 society that adheres to the “golden rule,” to treat others as we  
5 would like to be treated; and

6 WHEREAS, The principle of compassion lies at the heart of all  
7 religious, ethical, and spiritual traditions, calling us always to treat  
8 all others as we wish to be treated ourselves. Compassion impels  
9 us to work tirelessly to alleviate the suffering of our fellow  
10 creatures, to dethrone ourselves from the center of our world and  
11 put another there, and to honor the inviolable sanctity of every  
12 single human being, treating everybody, without exception, with  
13 absolute justice, equity, and respect; and

14 WHEREAS, It is also necessary in both public and private life  
15 to consistently and empathetically refrain from inflicting pain,  
16 acting or speaking violently out of spite or self-interest toward any  
17 other being or group of beings, to impoverish, exploit, or deny  
18 basic rights to anyone, or to incite hatred by denigrating others,

1 even our enemies, because these acts deny our common humanity;  
2 and

3 WHEREAS, There is a growing network of Compassionate  
4 Communities that have affirmed the Charter for Compassion with  
5 their local governments, including 3 countries and over 100 cities,  
6 counties, or states, spread across 50 countries globally, with more  
7 than 300 international cities and communities actively organizing  
8 to create a compassionate action plan; and

9 WHEREAS, Research demonstrates that practicing compassion  
10 produces positive benefits in all sectors of civic and community  
11 life, including business, education, safety, public health, and  
12 economic, physical, mental, and spiritual well-being; and

13 WHEREAS, The State of California is lucky to have over  
14 140,000 nonprofit entities, including 501(c)(3) nonprofit  
15 organizations, religious organizations, and public-private  
16 foundations, that serve the needs of Californians and humanity on  
17 topics such as human services, education, societal benefit, health,  
18 the environment, and enhancing the arts, culture, and humanities;  
19 and

20 WHEREAS, The state is blessed with and grateful for its 12  
21 local governments that have already adopted the Charter for  
22 Compassion, and the 42 compassionate communities in the state  
23 organized through Compassionate California; and the state is  
24 likewise grateful for its 28 sister states around the world; and

25 WHEREAS, The State of California is blessed with a talented  
26 and dedicated workforce; business, agencies, and community  
27 organization ready to pitch in; partnerships that share our values  
28 and goals; 58 counties and 482 city governments that understand  
29 that we are better when we work together; and, above all, residents  
30 who volunteer their time, tell us what they think of what we are  
31 doing, and offer their solutions; and

32 WHEREAS, Adoption of the Charter for Compassion is  
33 supported by thousands of state residents who organize across the  
34 state through Compassionate California, and the Legislature which  
35 recognizes the need to encourage, affirm, and promote our  
36 continuous efforts to be the most compassionate state in the United  
37 States; and

38 WHEREAS, The state, along with its 58 counties and 482 cities,  
39 regularly empowers and supports compassionate programs and  
40 nonprofit services to improve the lives of all California residents

1 and treat them with dignity, with emphasis on supportive services  
2 to child and youth programs, the elderly, the disabled, the homeless,  
3 veterans, immigrants, vulnerable and protected populations such  
4 as those defined by race, ethnicity, religion, culture, gender, sexual  
5 orientation and identity, nativity, native language, and related  
6 issues, workers, and small businesses; and

7 WHEREAS, The residents of the state regularly join in solidarity  
8 through marches, rallies, and volunteer work to uplift, protect, and  
9 demonstrate compassion for an untold number of marginalized,  
10 ignored, and disadvantaged groups because they know our culture  
11 is defined by how we treat our most vulnerable or mistreated  
12 residents; and

13 WHEREAS, The state hopes to serve as a model for other states  
14 in our republic — a state of compassion where anyone who wishes  
15 to live in acceptance of others can also find refuge in an  
16 environment where cultural differences are treated with respect  
17 and dignity; now, therefore, be it

18 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*  
19 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature declares California to be  
20 the first Compassionate State in the United States of America and  
21 calls upon other Americans to join us in recognizing that  
22 compassion can break down political, dogmatic, ideological, and  
23 religious boundaries, and also recognize that compassion is  
24 essential to human relationships and to a fulfilled humanity; and  
25 be it further

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

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Date of Hearing: August 23, 2021

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON RULES  
Ken Cooley, Chair  
SCR 18 (Cortese) – As Introduced March 8, 2021

**SENATE VOTE:** 32-0

**SUBJECT:** Compassionate California.

**SUMMARY:** Declares California to be the first Compassionate State in the United States of America and recognizes that compassion is essential to human relationships and to a fulfilled humanity. Specifically, **this resolution** makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) The principle of compassion lies at the heart of all religious, ethical, and spiritual traditions, calling us to always treat others as we wish to be treated ourselves.
- 2) It is necessary in both public and private life to consistently and empathetically refrain from inflicting pain, acting or speaking violently out of spite or self-interest toward any other being or group of beings, to impoverish, exploit, or deny basic rights to anyone, or to incite hatred by denigrating others, even our enemies, because these acts deny our common humanity.
- 3) Research demonstrates that practicing compassion produces positive benefits in all sectors of civic and community life, including business, education, safety, public health, and economic, physical, mental, and spiritual well-being.
- 4) The State of California is lucky to have over 140,000 nonprofit entities, including 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations, religious organizations, and public-private foundations, that serve the needs of Californians and humanity on topics such as human services, education, societal benefit, health, the environment, and enhancing the arts, culture, and humanities.
- 5) The residents of the state regularly join in solidarity through marches, rallies, and volunteer work to uplift, protect, and demonstrate compassion for an untold number of marginalized, ignored, and disadvantaged groups because they know our culture is defined by how we treat our most vulnerable or mistreated residents.

**FISCAL EFFECT:** None

**REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:**

**Support**

None on file

**Opposition**

None on file

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