City of Long Beach



Legislation Text

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Recommendation to request City Attorney to draft a resolution to commemorate National Family Caregivers Month and in recognition of the importance of the In-Home Care Provider Workforce.

Nearly 145,600 homecare workers live in the County of Los Angeles, including over 11,200 workers who reside in Long Beach, delivering quality care to our most vulnerable residents, including seniors and adults and children with disabilities.

Homecare workers not only provide vital care to those in need, but, by doing so, save taxpayers millions of dollars each year when compared to more costly tax funded institutional care. The work of homecare workers often goes unnoticed, as do the financial struggles caregivers and their families experience in order to provide this lifeline service to those in need.

The number of family and non-family members requiring in-home care will drastically increase as the number of Americans who are 65 years of age and older is expected to double in the next 30 years.

During National Family Caregivers Month, it is appropriate for the City Council to recognize the important contributions homecare workers bring to those receiving care, as well as their communities, and support their continuing efforts to lift workers out of poverty and revitalize communities.

There is no fiscal impact.

Approve recommendation.

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