

## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

### RS26099

This resolution recognizes June as Cytomegalovirus Awareness Month in Idaho. CMV is the most common congenital infection in the United States and is the most common viral cause of birth defects and developmental disabilities, including deafness, blindness, cerebral palsy, mental and physical disabilities, seizures, and death. Most people are not aware of their CMV infection status, with pregnant women being one of the highest risk groups. The incidence of children born with congenital CMV can be greatly reduced with public education and awareness about basic prevention measures to guard against CMV infection.

### FISCAL NOTE

There are no additional costs associated with this resolution. The Idaho Department of Health and Welfare is completing promotional materials for CMV awareness and any materials and awareness can be accomplished as part of this effort.

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