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Testimony in support of **H.B. 5629 AN ACT DESIGNATING MAY AS LYME DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH.**

Senator Cassano, Representative Jutila, Senator McLachlan, Representative Smith, and the entire membership of the Government Administration and Elections Committee. Thank you for allowing me to submit to testimony in support of *H.B. 5629 An Act Designating May As Lyme Disease Awareness Month.*

I have had the misfortune of seeing many friends, colleagues and constituents suffer from the ill effects of Lyme disease. If awareness were more prevalent, then these cases would be less common. It is imperative that we, as a legislature, advocate for awareness of the disease.

The state of California has already adopted the month of May as Lyme disease awareness month. In order to produce a cohesive message across the country, I would urge you and your colleagues to support this legislation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Christie M. Carpino'.

Christie M. Carpino
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