



**A Proclamation of the City Council
Of the City of Placerville Declaring
September 2017 as Prostate Cancer Awareness Month
In the City of Placerville**

- WHEREAS:** Prostate cancer is the most frequently diagnosed cancer in men aside from skin cancer, and it is estimated 1 in 8 men will develop this disease in their lifetime; and
- WHEREAS:** The American Cancer Society estimates there will be 161,360 new cases of prostate cancer in the USA in 2017, resulting in an estimated 26,730 deaths; and
- WHEREAS:** It is estimated 14,520 men in California will be diagnosed with prostate cancer this year and it is estimated 3,130 California men will die from this disease; and
- WHEREAS:** Men of African American descent have the highest prostate cancer incident rates in the world and their death rate is twice as high as any other ethnic group; and
- WHEREAS:** Early prostate cancer usually has no symptoms and studies suggest strong familial predisposition may be responsible for 5% to 10% of the disease cases; and
- WHEREAS:** Advanced prostate cancer commonly spreads to the bones, which can cause pain in the hips, spine, ribs, or other areas in the body; and
- WHEREAS:** The 5-year survival rate approaches 100% when prostate cancer is diagnosed and treated early, but drops to 29% when it spreads to the other parts of the body; and
- WHEREAS:** Treatment options for prostate cancer vary depending on a man’s age, stage and grade of his cancer, as well as his other existing medical conditions; and
- WHEREAS:** The American Cancer Society recommends that men should have an opportunity to make an informed decision about whether to be tested for prostate cancer based on their personal values and preferences; and
- WHEREAS:** The City of Placerville joins communities across our nation to increase the awareness about the importance for men to make an informed decision with their health care provider about early detection and testing for prostate cancer; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, I, John Clerici, Mayor of the City of Placerville, do hereby proclaim the month of September 2017 as Prostate Cancer Awareness Month in the City of Placerville and I commend this observance to all citizens.

Date: August 22, 2017

Mayor John Clerici

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand
And caused the seal of the City of Placerville to be affixed
This 22nd Day of August 2017.

ATTEST:

Regina O’Connell, City Clerk