

**A PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF PLACERVILLE DECLARING SEPTEMBER 2018
AS PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**

WHEREAS, prostate cancer is the most frequently diagnosed cancer in men and the second leading cause of cancer deaths in men; and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Society estimates there will be 164,690 new cases of prostate cancer in the USA in 2018, resulting in an estimated 29,430 deaths; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated 15,190 men in California will be diagnosed with prostate cancer this year and it is estimated 3,490 California men will die from this disease; and

WHEREAS, Black men in the USA and Caribbean have the highest documented prostate cancer incidence rates in the world; 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 30% when it spreads to the other parts of the body; 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, prostate cancer treatment decisions should be based on clinician recommendations and patient 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, Wendy Thomas, Mayor of the City of Placerville, do hereby proclaim the month of September 2018 as Prostate Cancer Awareness Month in the City of Placerville and I commend this observance to all citizens.

Date: August 28, 2018

Mayor Wendy Thomas

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand
And caused the seal of the City of Placerville to be affixed
This 28th Day of August 2018.

ATTEST:

Regina O'Connell, City Clerk