



**A PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF PLACERVILLE DECLARING SEPTEMBER 2019  
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 174,650 new cases of prostate cancer in the USA in 2019, resulting in an estimated 31,620 deaths; and

**WHEREAS**, it is estimated 24,550 men in California will be diagnosed with prostate cancer this year and it is estimated 4,470 California men will die from this disease; and

**WHEREAS**, African-American 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**, late stage 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:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, I, Mark A. Acuna, Mayor of the City of Placerville, do hereby proclaim the month of September 2019 as Prostate Cancer Awareness Month in the City of Placerville and I commend this observance to all citizens.

Date: August 27, 2019