



## Proclamation

### OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO Proclaiming the Month of September, 2021, 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 248,530 new cases of prostate cancer in the USA in 2021, resulting in an estimated 34,130 deaths; and

**WHEREAS**, it is estimated 25,880 men in California will be diagnosed with prostate cancer this year and it is estimated 4,140 California men will die from this disease this year; and

**WHEREAS**, the incidence of prostate cancer is almost 80% higher in non-Hispanic Black men than in non-Hispanic White men for reasons that remain unclear; 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 rapid reduction in prostate cancer mortality is attributed to early detection through PSA testing and advancement in treatment; 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**, El Dorado County 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 PROCLAIMED**, that the Board of Supervisors, for the County of El Dorado, does hereby proclaim the month of **September 2021, as Prostate Cancer Awareness Month.**

**Passed** by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting, held the 31<sup>st</sup> day of August 2021.

**Attest:**

Kim Dawson

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Deputy Clerk

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John Hidahl, Chair, Board of Supervisors