



## Proclamation

### OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO Recognizing the Month of October, 2015, as Dysautonomia Awareness Month

**WHEREAS**, Dysautonomia is a group of medical conditions that result in a malfunction of the autonomic nervous system, which is responsible for “automatic” bodily functions such as respiration, heart rate, blood pressure, digestion, temperature control and more; and,

**WHEREAS**, some forms of Dysautonomia are considered rare diseases, such as Multiple System Atrophy and Pure Autonomic Failure, while other forms of Dysautonomia are common, impacting millions of people in the US and around the world, such as Diabetic Autonomic Neuropathy, Neurocardiogenic Syncope and Postural Orthostatic Tachycardia Syndrome; and,

**WHEREAS**, Dysautonomia impacts people of any age, gender, race or background, including many individuals living in El Dorado County; and,

**WHEREAS**, some forms of Dysautonomia can be very disabling and this disability can result in social isolation, stress on the families of those impacted, and financial hardship; and,

**WHEREAS**, some forms of Dysautonomia can result in death, causing tremendous pain and suffering for those impacted and their loved ones; and,

**WHEREAS**, increased awareness about Dysautonomia will help patients get diagnosed and treated earlier, save lives, and foster support for individuals and families coping with Dysautonomia in our community; and,

**WHEREAS**, Dysautonomia International, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that advocates on behalf of patients living with Dysautonomia, encourages communities to celebrate Dysautonomia Awareness Month each October around the world; and,

**WHEREAS**, we seek to recognize the contributions of the professional medical community, patients and family members who are working to educate our citizenry about Dysautonomia in El Dorado County.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED**, that the Board of Supervisors, for the County of El Dorado, does herewith proclaim the month of **October, 2015, as Dysautonomia Awareness Month.**

**Passed** by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held the 6<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2015.

**Attest:**

James S. Mitrison  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

by:

Deputy Clerk

Brian K. Veerkamp, Chair, Board of Supervisors