



# **RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_\_**

## **OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA**

### **RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2023 AS PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS MONTH IN NEVADA COUNTY**

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

WHEREAS, one in eight men have a lifetime probability of developing prostate cancer and one in eight women also have a lifetime of probability of developing breast cancer; and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Society estimates there will be 288,300 new cases of prostate cancer in the USA in 2023, resulting in an estimated 34,700 deaths; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated 26,970 men in California will be diagnosed with prostate cancer this year and an estimated 4,970 California men will die from this disease in 2022; and

WHEREAS, the incidence of prostate cancer is almost 70% higher in non-Hispanic Black men than in non-Hispanic White men for reasons that remain unclear; and

WHEREAS, risk factors for prostate cancer are increasing age, African ancestry, a family history of the disease, and certain inherited genetic conditions; and

WHEREAS, the 5-year survival rate approaches 100% when prostate cancer is diagnosed and treated early, but drops to 32% when it spreads to the other parts of the body; and

WHEREAS, early-stage prostate cancer usually causes no symptoms unlike late-stage prostate cancer that commonly spreads to the bones and causes pain in several areas of the body; and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Society recommends that men have a conversation with their health care provider and make an informed decision about whether to be tested for prostate cancer; and

WHEREAS, the Nevada County Board of Supervisors joins communities across the nation to increase the awareness about the importance for individuals to make an informed decision with their health care provider about early detection and testing for prostate cancer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, California hereby proclaims the month of September 2023 as Prostate Cancer Awareness Month in Nevada County and recommends the community take an active approach working with health care providers to make informed decisions for early detection, treatment and overall wellness.