## BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF AMADOR, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF:

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2017 AS PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS MONTH IN AMADOR COUNTY

**RESOLUTION NO. 17-082** 

WHEREAS, prostate cancer is the most frequently diagnosed cancer in men aside from skin cancer, and it is estimated 1 in 8 men will develop this disease in their lifetime; and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Society estimates there will be 161,360 new cases of prostate cancer in the USA in 2017, resulting in an estimated 26,730 deaths; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated 14,520 men in California will be diagnosed with prostate cancer this year and it is estimated 3,130 California men will die from this disease; and

WHEREAS, men of African American descent have the highest prostate cancer incident rates in the world and their death rate is twice as high as any other ethnic group; 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 29% when it spreads to the other parts of the body; and

WHEREAS, treatment options for prostate cancer vary depending on a man's age, stage and grade of his cancer, as well as his other existing medical conditions; 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.

NOW, THERFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Amador County Board of Supervisors 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.

The foregoing resolution was duly passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Amador at a regular meeting thereof, held on the 25th day of July 2017, by the following vote:

AYES:

Richard M. Forster, Lynn A. Morgan, Patrick Crew, Frank U. Axe,

**Brian Oneto** 

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

None

(RESOLUTION NO. 17-082) (07/25/17)

Richard M. Forster, Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

JENNIFER BURNS, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, Amador County, California

Deputy