

RESOLUTION
of
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MARIN COUNTY

PROCLAIMING
BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH IN MARIN
OCTOBER 2015

WHEREAS, among women, breast cancer is the most frequently diagnosed cancer, excluding skin cancer, and is the second most common cause of cancer death in the U.S.; and

WHEREAS, in the U.S. nearly one in eight women will be diagnosed with breast cancer in her lifetime. Each year in Marin more than 200 women are diagnosed and more than 30 women die; and

WHEREAS, breast cancer cases in Marin have decreased since their peak in 2001, are no longer among the highest in the State, and are similar to rates in California and the U.S., and

WHEREAS, there has been a continued decline in breast cancer mortality in California, the Bay Area, and Marin over the past two decades; and

WHEREAS, the County of Marin Department of Health and Human Services has remained committed to addressing this important disease, including leadership in the Marin Women's Study research collaborative with the Buck Institute for Research on Aging, Cancer Prevention Institute of California, Kaiser Permanente San Rafael Medical Group, Marin Cancer Institute at Marin General Hospital, UCSF, and Zero Breast Cancer; and

WHEREAS, simple principles of healthy living that protect against breast cancer include maintaining a healthy weight, regular physical activity, and avoiding smoking and excess alcohol; and

WHEREAS, mammography is still the best available method of detecting breast cancer before physical symptoms can be seen or felt, and some breast cancer deaths are prevented when women receive mammograms and clinical breast exams at regular intervals in consultation with their health care providers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marin hereby proclaims the month of October 2015, as "Breast Cancer Awareness Month" in Marin.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marin held this 6th day of October 2015.

KATIE RICE – SUPERVISOR, DISTRICT 2 - PRESIDENT

