

September 14, 2010

Board of Supervisors 3501 Civic Center Drive San Rafael, CA 94903

SUBJECT: Supervisor Adams requests Board approval of the Resolution declaring September "Prostate Cancer Awareness Month" in Marin County.

Dear Supervisors:

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the attached Resolution declaring September "Prostate Cancer Awareness Month" in Marin County.

SUMMARY: The proposed Resolution coincides with National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month. Other than skin cancer, prostate cancer is the most common cancer men. In 2010, the American Cancer Society estimates that 217,730 new cases of prostate cancer will be diagnosed and about 32,050 men will die of prostate cancer. Prostate cancer is known as a silent disease because there may be no noticeable symptoms while it is still in the early stages. As such, screening and education are critical steps in the fight against this disease. By following recommended prostate cancer screening guidelines, men can greatly reduce the risk of prostate cancer mortality.

COMMUNITY BENEFIT: The proposed Resolution helps raise awareness about the importance education and early detection.

FISCAL/STAFFING IMPACT: None

REVIEWED BY:

Department of Finance N/A Human Resources N/A County Counsel

Respectfully submitted,

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Director

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