

**A Proclamation of the City Council
Of the City of Placerville Declaring
September 2016 as Prostate Cancer Awareness Month
In the City of Placerville**

- WHEREAS:** Prostate cancer is the most frequently diagnosed cancer in men aside from skin cancer, and it is estimated 1 in 7 men will develop this disease in their lifetime; and
- WHEREAS:** The American Cancer Society estimates there will be 180,890 new cases of prostate cancer in the USA in 2016, resulting in an estimated 26,120 deaths; and
- WHEREAS:** It is estimated 17,240 men in California will be diagnosed with prostate cancer this year and it is estimated 3,050 California men will die from this disease; and
- WHEREAS:** African American men have the highest prostate cancer incidence rates in the world and their prostate cancer death rate in the USA is more than twice that of any other ethnic group of men; 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:** The survival rate approaches 100% when prostate cancer is diagnosed and treated early, but drops to 28% 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; and
- WHEREAS:** The City of Placerville 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.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Trisha Wilkins, Mayor of the City of Placerville, do hereby proclaim the month of September 2016 as Prostate Cancer Awareness Month in the City of Placerville and I commend this observance to all citizens.

Date: August 9, 2016

Mayor Trisha Wilkins

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand
And caused the seal of the City of Placerville to be affixed
This 9th Day of August 2016.

ATTEST:

Regina O'Connell, Interim City Clerk