## PROCLAMATION

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DESIGNATING SEPTEMBER 2017 as

## PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

**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 United States 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 commonly spreads to bones, which can cause pain in the hips, spine, ribs or other areas in the body; and

**WHEREAS**, San Mateo County joins communities across our nation to increase the awareness about the importance for men to make informed decisions with their health care provider about early detection and testing for prostate cancer; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED** that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby designates September, 2017 as Prostate Cancer Awareness Month.

Dated: September 12, 2017

SUPERVISORS:

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