

RESOLUTION NO. 8440

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2023 AS “BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH” IN HAWTHORNE

WHEREAS, one in eight women will be diagnosed with breast cancer in their lifetime, one person every two minutes; and

WHEREAS, the risk of developing breast cancer increases as a woman grows older; and

WHEREAS, about 30 percent of early-stage breast cancer eventually metastasize (spread to parts of the body away from the breast) and thus the awareness is intended to focus on the need for more research about metastatic disease; and

WHEREAS, breast cancer is hereditary, and individuals whose family history puts them at increased risk for breast cancer should discuss with their doctor or qualified health professional the proper prevention and early diagnosis strategies; and

WHEREAS, the appropriate use of screening mammography, in conjunction with clinical examination and breast self-examination, can result in the detection of many breast cancers early in their development and increase the survival rate to nearly 100 percent; and

WHEREAS, data from controlled trials clearly demonstrate that deaths from breast cancer are significantly reduced in women over the age of 40 by using mammography as a screening tool; and

WHEREAS, in 1985, the first Breast Cancer Awareness Month was observed in the United States; and

WHEREAS, October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and an opportunity to increase awareness of the disease and to encourage individuals to have a plan to detect the disease in its early stage; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City Council of the City of Hawthorne, California, in recognition and support of this worldwide effort to spread awareness of early detection with the need for research, to join the world community in recognizing and proclaiming October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month in the City of Hawthorne.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, hereby resolves as follows:

SECTION 1. The foregoing recitals in this Resolution are true and correct.

SECTION 2. The City Council of the City of Hawthorne hereby proclaims the month of October 2023 as Breast Cancer Awareness Month in Hawthorne.

SECTION 3. That the City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution and shall cause this Resolution and this certification to be entered in the Book of Resolutions of the Council of the City.

SECTION 4. This resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and adoption thereof.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 24th day of October 2023.

**Alex Vargas, Mayor
City of Hawthorne, California**

ATTEST:

**Dayna Williams-Hunter, City Clerk
City of Hawthorne, California**

**Robert M. Kim,
City Attorney
City of Hawthorne, California**