LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS RESOLUTION





PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER 2021 PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS MONTH IN LAKE COUNTY, OHIO

WHEREAS, this year approximately 191,930 men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer in the United States; that is one man every 3.2 minutes and roughly 33,330 will die this year from the disease, which is one man every 18 minutes; and

WHEREAS, in Ohio an estimated 9,010 new cases of prostate cancer will be diagnosed and an estimated 2,000 deaths will occur in 2021; and

WHEREAS, men with relatives (father, brother, son, etc.) with a history of prostate cancer are twice as likely to develop the disease; and

WHEREAS, prostate cancer is the second leading cause of cancer in American men behind only lung cancer; and

WHEREAS, men who served in the military who have been exposed to chemicals and herbicides are at a higher risk for developing prostate cancer; and

WHEREAS, 1 in 9 men are diagnosed with prostate cancer in his lifetime. African American men are at the highest risk for the disease with the rate of 1 in 6 and 2.2 times more likely to die from the disease; and

WHEREAS, education regarding prostate cancer and early detection strategies is critical to saving lives, and preserving and protecting our families. The economic and social hardship of prostate cancer weighs heavily on families. Prostate cancer is estimated to cost over \$8 billion in direct medical expenses; and

WHEREAS, nearly 3.1 million men in the U.S. are living with a prostate cancer diagnosis; that number is expected to climb to \$4 million by 2024 as men in the baby boomer generation age.

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and encourages the citizens of Lake County, Ohio, to increase their awareness and recognize the importance of prostate screenings.

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