[Lung Cancer Awareness Month - November 2022]

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Resolution declaring November 2022 as Lung Cancer Awareness Month in the City and County of San Francisco.

WHEREAS, Lung cancer is the second most common type of cancer; and
WHEREAS, There is low awareness that there have been 236,740 new cases of lung
cancer and 130,180 deaths from lung cancer this year alone; and

WHEREAS, There is low awareness of the racial and ethnic disparities in the incidence and mortality rates in the U.S. as a result of lung cancer; and

WHEREAS, Lung cancer is by far the leading cause of cancer death, making up almost twenty five percent of all cancer deaths; and

WHEREAS, Each year, more people die of lung cancer than die of colon, breast, and prostate cancers combined; and

WHEREAS, Overall, the chance that a man will develop lung cancer in his lifetime is about one in fifteen, and for a woman, the risk is about one in seventeen; and

WHEREAS, Early detection of lung cancer is low because testing requires costly CT scans that are less accessible, resulting in cancer being discovered, diagnosed, and treated too late; and

WHEREAS, Patients with metastatic (stage 4) non-small cell lung cancer that's spread to distant organs or regions of the body have a five-year relative survival rate of eight percent, according to the American Cancer Society; and

WHEREAS, Research funding for finding and treating lung cancer trails far behind funding for research of other cancers; and

WHEREAS, Lung cancer receives less funding than breast, prostate and leukemia cancers and roughly the same funding as colorectal cancer, despite the fact that colorectal cancer kills less than a third of the same number of individuals; and

WHEREAS, In absolute terms, lung cancer accounts for thirty two percent of cancer deaths while receiving ten percent of cancer research funding; and

WHEREAS, While there is significant hope for higher survival rates in recent years due to the discovery of new targeted therapy treatment like immunotherapy and biomarker testing, there is still low awareness that more than half of the people with lung cancer continue to die within one year of being diagnosed; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco, in recognition of the importance of educating the public toward the goal of improved health outcomes and the indiscriminate threat of lung cancer, do declare the month of November 2022 as Lung Cancer Awareness Month; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors calls on the corporate foundation partners of the Lung Cancer Research Foundation to increase their contributions to fund for research into the prevention, diagnosis, treatment and cure of lung cancer.



City and County of San Francisco **Tails** Resolution

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November 01, 2022 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Chan, Dorsey, Mandelman, Mar, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, Safai, Stefani and Walton

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 11/1/2022 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Unsigned 11/10/2022 London N. Breed **Date Approved** Mayor

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without her approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

Clerk of the Board

11/10/2022 Date