[Bladder Cancer Awareness Month - May 2019]

Resolution proclaiming May 2019 as "Bladder Cancer Awareness Month" in the City and County of San Francisco.

WHEREAS, 500,000 families in the United States are impacted by a loved one with bladder cancer, and more than 80,000 people nationwide will be diagnosed with bladder cancer in 2019, of which 17,000 will die; and

WHEREAS, Approximately 7,780 Californians will be newly diagnosed with bladder cancer in 2019; and

WHEREAS, More than 6,500 residents of the nine-county Bay Area were diagnosed with bladder cancer and more than 1,350 died between 2012 and 2016 from bladder cancer; and

WHEREAS, Bladder cancer was the fourth most common cancer among men in San Francisco between 2008 and 2012; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco firefighters had a greater number of urinary-cancer diagnoses and cancer-related deaths than the general U.S. population; and

WHEREAS, Military veterans are twice as likely as nonveterans to be diagnosed with bladder cancer; and

WHEREAS, Women are often diagnosed at a later stage in the development of bladder cancer and, when diagnosed at the same stage as men, women have a worse prognosis; and

WHEREAS, Bladder cancer affects adults of all ages and backgrounds and is the fifth most common nonskin cancer in the United States, exceeded only by breast, lung, prostate and colon cancers; yet, knowledge of the frequency and severity of bladder cancer is minimal; and

WHEREAS, The quality of life of a person with bladder cancer will depend on future treatment and diagnosis developments, which will rely on research advancements; and

WHEREAS, Groundbreaking research to find new treatments and ultimately a cure for bladder cancer takes place in San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, Increased awareness of bladder cancer is vital to promote early diagnosis and increase the chances of survival, and will bolster public support of the disease and thus increase funding for innovative research and the development of new treatment options and diagnostic tools; and

WHEREAS, On May 11, 2019, the San Francisco Walk to End Bladder Cancer sponsored by the Bladder Cancer Advocacy Network will be held at the Great Meadow at Fort Mason and bladder cancer survivors, caregivers, and families who have lost someone will walk to raise awareness of bladder cancer; and

WHEREAS, The Bladder Cancer Advocacy Network and its community of patients, caregivers, and specialists seek to foster a community of hope and support, fund and conduct research for innovative treatments and diagnostic tools and increase public awareness and understanding of bladder cancer; and

WHEREAS, May has historically been designated Bladder Cancer Awareness Month; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and Country of San Francisco urge San Francisco communities to promote awareness of bladder cancer, foster understanding of the impact of the disease on patients and their families and caregivers, and take an active role in the fight to end bladder cancer; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and Country of San Francisco proclaim the month of May 2019 as "Bladder Cancer Awareness Month".



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Resolution

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May 14, 2019 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 9 - Brown, Fewer, Haney, Mandelman, Mar, Peskin, Safai, Stefani and Yee

Excused: 2 - Ronen and Walton

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 5/14/2019 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

> Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Unsigned

London N. Breed Mayor

5/24/19

Date Approved

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