

RESOLUTION NO. 8559

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2025 AS “BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH” IN HAWTHORNE

WHEREAS, breast cancer affects one in eight women and thousands of men annually; and

WHEREAS, breast cancer is about 100 times more common in women than men and women are at increased risk as they get older; and

WHEREAS, breast cancer is often 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, in 1985, the first Breast Cancer Awareness Month (“BCAM”) was observed in the United States. In the United States, this event is referred to as National Breast Cancer Awareness Month (“NBCAM”); 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 stages; and

WHEREAS, the early detection of breast cancer is to encourage women to have mammograms. As many women know, a mammogram is an X-ray of the breast used to detect abnormalities in breast tissue. Early detection means that cancer can be more effectively treated and prevented from spreading to other areas of the body; and

WHEREAS, it is vital that those affected by breast cancer to have access to quality, affordable care, and that research of all forms of breast cancer continues to be vigorously supported; and

WHEREAS, Breast cancer death rates declined 40% from 1989 to 2016 among women according to the National Breast Cancer Foundation. This progress is attributed to improvements in early detection; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic proved especially challenging for breast cancer prevention as many were unable to attend screenings due to lockdowns and hospitals inundated with COVID-19 patients; 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 and 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 City Council of the City of Hawthorne, California, hereby incorporates by reference all the recitals herein and finds that they are true and correct.

Section 2. The City Council of the City of Hawthorne hereby proclaims the month of October 2025 as “Breast Cancer Awareness Month” in Hawthorne.

Section 3. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution and shall cause this Resolution and his 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 28th day of October, 2025.

ALEX VARGAS, Mayor
City of Hawthorne, California

ATTEST:

DAYNA WILLIAMS-HUNTER, City Clerk
City of Hawthorne, California

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

DAVID CACERES, Interim City Attorney
City of Hawthorne, California