

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA**

RESOLUTION 2024 –

WHEREAS, in 2024 there are more than 4 million women with a history of breast cancer in the United States, including women currently being treated and women who have finished treatment; and

WHEREAS, besides skin cancers, breast cancer is the most common type of cancer among women in the United States. It is estimated that 310,720 new cases of invasive breast cancer will be diagnosed in women in the United States in 2024 and nearly 42,250 women are expected to die from the disease this year; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that 2,790 new cases of invasive breast cancer will be diagnosed in men in 2024 and approximately 530 men will die from breast cancer this year; and

WHEREAS, thanks to largely stable incident rates, improved treatment, as well as earlier detection through screening and increased awareness, a woman's risk of dying from breast cancer dropped 40% between 1989 and 2017, translating into more than 375,900 breast cancer deaths avoided during that time; and

WHEREAS, self-breast examination and mammography are among the most effective and widely available methods of early detection of breast cancer, and as mammography screening rates have increased, more cases of breast cancer have been found at earlier stages, when the chances of survival are highest; and

WHEREAS, during **BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**, we recognize all those who know the anguish of breast cancer and redouble our efforts to improve care and bring awareness to this disease; and

WHEREAS, as we honor those lost to breast cancer, let us join with loved ones who celebrate their memory and the patients who battle this disease every day, as well as our Nation's advocates, medical researchers, and health care providers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HERNANDO COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The Board of County Commissioners hereby proclaim October 2024 as **BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH** in Hernando County.

SECTION 2. The Board of County Commissioners hereby encourage all citizens, government agencies, private businesses, nonprofit organizations, and all other interested groups to join in activities promoting awareness to prevent breast cancer.

ADOPTED in Regular Session this 22nd day of October 2024, A.D.

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Attest:

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