

City of Santa Clara
Proclamation

- WHEREAS,** Endometriosis is a disease in which tissue similar to the lining of the uterus grows outside the uterus; it can cause severe pain and make it harder to get pregnant, and can create complications such as hemorrhage and uterine rupture; and
- WHEREAS,** Endometriosis is a condition that affects an estimated 11 percent of women in the United States between the ages of 15 and 44; a complex disease, it affects many women globally from the onset of their first period through menopause; and
- WHEREAS,** a common gynecological disease, the causes for the development of endometriosis are not currently understood and there is no cure for endometriosis, but treatments are available for its symptoms; and
- WHEREAS,** starting in 1993, Endometriosis Awareness Week, which expanded to Endometriosis Awareness Month, serves as a time to raise awareness about the condition and treatment; and
- WHEREAS,** addressing endometriosis will empower those affected by supporting their right to the highest standard of sexual and reproductive health, quality of life, and overall well-being.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LISA M. GILLMOR, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor, and on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby proclaim the month of March 2024 as

Endometriosis Awareness Month

in the City of Santa Clara and encourage people to work with their doctor to get the healthcare they need.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the City of Santa Clara, California, this 19th day of March 2024.

LISA M. GILLMOR
MAYOR
City of Santa Clara