

WHEREAS, the month of October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month; Breast Cancer Awareness Month is celebrated throughout the month of October to increase awareness of the disease, to raise

funds for research into its cause, prevention, diagnosis, treatment, and cure, as well as to educate people about the importance of early screening and detecting breast cancer early; and

WHEREAS, the third Friday in October each year is National Mammography Day; this year, National

Mammography Day will be celebrated on October 16<sup>th</sup>; a mammography, the screening test for breast cancer, can detect breast cancer up to two years before physical symptoms can be

seen or felt; and

WHEREAS, about 1 in 8 women in the United States will develop breast cancer over the course of her

lifetime; in 2020, an estimated 279,100 new cases of breast cancer are expected to be

diagnosed in women; and

WHEREAS, breast cancer in men is rare; in 2020, an estimated 2,620 new cases of breast cancer are

expected to be diagnosed in men; and

WHEREAS, most people can survive breast cancer if it's found and treated early; death rates from breast

cancer have been declining, and these changes are thought to be the results of treatment

advances, earlier detection through screening, and increased awareness;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LISA M. GILLMOR, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor, and on behalf of the City of Santa Clara, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2020, as

## **Breast Cancer Awareness Month**

in the City of Santa Clara and call upon the Santa Clara's residents to raise awareness for breast cancer prevention and the importance of detecting breast cancer early.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the City of Santa Clara, California, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of October 2020.

LISA M. GILLMOR MAYOR City of Santa Clara

