Resolution No. 2016-200

RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2016 AS COMPLEX REGIONAL PAIN SYNDROME AWARENESS MONTH IN SOLANO COUNTY

WHEREAS, Complex Regional Pain Syndrome (CRPS), formerly known as RSD, or Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy, is a chronic neuro-inflammatory disorder. The pain is characterized as constant, extremely intense and out of proportion to the original injury; and

WHEREAS, CRPS was recently designated as a rare disorder by the United States Food and Drug Administration and experts believe less than 200,000 people in the United States suffer from it; and

WHEREAS, CRPS occurs when the nervous system and the immune system malfunction as they respond to tissue damage from trauma. The nerves misfire, sending constant pain signals to the brain. The level of pain is measured as one of the most severe on the McGill University Pain Scale; and

WHEREAS, CRPS is an evolving and constantly changing disorder. The symptoms a patient experiences today may not be the symptoms they have next week, depending on how the body reacts to the weather, overall stress levels, medication, time of day, living conditions, amount of sleep and more. This makes it difficult for even the most knowledgeable doctors to correctly diagnose and treat the disorder; and

WHEREAS, Complex Regional Pain Syndrome Awareness Month is held in November and Solano County and others across the country have joined together to advocate for CRPS awareness, support and a better future through research, diagnosis, education and treatment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Solano County Board of Supervisors hereby recognizes November as National Complex Regional Pain Syndrome Awareness Month and urge all citizens to support the search for a cure and help those individuals and families who are touched by this devastating disorder.

Dated this 1st day of November, 2016

ERIN HANNIGAN, Chairwoman Solano County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

BIRGITTA E. CORSELLO, Clerk Solano County Board of Supervisors

Jeanette Neiger, Chief Deputy Clerk