Resolution No. 2025-198

RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER 7, 2025, AS WORLD DUCHENNE AWARENESS DAY IN SOLANO COUNTY

WHEREAS, Duchenne muscular dystrophy (Duchenne) is a common fatal genetic disorder diagnosed in childhood, affecting approximately one in every 5,000 live male births each year; and

WHEREAS, the Duchenne gene is found on the X-chromosome, and affects boys specifically, across all races and ethnicities; and

WHEREAS, Duchenne results in progressive loss of strength and is caused by a mutation in the gene that encodes for dystrophin; and

WHEREAS, because dystrophin is absent, the muscle cells are easily damaged, and the progressive muscle weakness leads to serious medical problems, particularly issues relating to the heart and lungs; and

WHEREAS, approximately 35% of cases occur because of a random spontaneous mutation, so Duchenne can affect any male; and

WHEREAS, although there are medical treatments that may help slow its progression, there is currently no cure for Duchenne, and people with Duchenne typically only live into their late twenties; and

WHEREAS, because it is a rare disease, one of our greatest tools in the fight to end Duchenne is raising awareness; and

WHEREAS, the observance of World Duchenne Awareness Day was initiated in 2014 to be observed annually on September 7th; and

WHEREAS, the initiative has since grown into a global movement, with participation from various countries and organizations and the United Nations officially designating September 7 as World Duchenne Awareness Day in 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Solano County Board of Supervisors recognizes September 7th as World Duchenne Awareness Day in Solano County.

Dated this 9th day of September 2025

MITCH H MASHBURN, Chair Solano County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

BILL EMLEN, Clerk

Solano County Board of Supervisors

Draves, Chief Deputy Clerk