## Resolution No. 2018 -

## RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZING DECEMBER 1, 2018 AS WORLD AIDS DAY IN SOLANO COUNTY

WHEREAS, the global epidemic of HIV infection and AIDS requires a worldwide effort to increase communication, education and united action to stop the spread of HIV/AIDS; and

**WHEREAS**, the joint United Nations Program on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) observes December 1<sup>st</sup> each year as World AIDS Day, a day to expand and strengthen worldwide efforts to stop the spread of HIV/AIDS; and

WHEREAS, UNAIDS estimates that 36.9 million people worldwide are currently living with HIV/AIDS, with 1.8 million new cases of HIV and an estimated 940,000 deaths from AIDS-related illness in 2017 worldwide; and

WHEREAS, the UNAIDS is encouraging a better understanding of the challenges of HIV/AIDS nationally as it recognizes that the number of people diagnosed with HIV and AIDS in the United States continues to increase with 1.1 million people in the U.S. now infected, 132,405 HIV/AIDS cases in California, and 1,327 HIV/AIDS cases in Solano County, and 1 in 7 who do not know they are infected; and

**WHEREAS,** World AIDS day provides an opportunity to focus local, national and international attention on HIV infection and to disseminate information and promote HIV testing to reduce the spread of HIV; and

**WHEREAS**, this year's theme, "Know your status" marks the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary to commemorate World AIDs Day and urges all residents to increase their awareness of the risk of HIV/AIDS for themselves, their partners, and their children and to recognize the importance of HIV testing to help stem the tide of the HIV/AIDS epidemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Solano County Board of Supervisors does hereby recognize December 1, 2018 as World AIDS Day and encourages everyone to take part in activities and observances designed to increase awareness and understanding of HIV/AIDS as a global and local challenge, take part in HIV/AIDS prevention activities and programs, and join the global effort to prevent further spread of HIV/AIDS.

Dated this 13<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2018

JOHN M. VASQUEZ, Chair Solano County Board of Supervisors
ATTEST: BIRGITTA E. CORSELLO, Clerk Solano County Board of Supervisors
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