

Resolution No. 2020-

RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZING DECEMBER 1, 2020 AS WORLD AIDS DAY IN SOLANO COUNTY

WHEREAS, the global epidemic of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection and acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (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 1st each year as World AIDS Day to expand and strengthen worldwide efforts to stop the spread of HIV/AIDS; and

WHEREAS, UNAIDS estimates that 38 million people worldwide are currently living with HIV/AIDS, while 7.1 million do not know that they are living with HIV; and

WHEREAS, there were 1.7 million new cases of HIV and an estimated 690,000 deaths from AIDS-related illness worldwide in 2019; and

WHEREAS, UNAIDS is encouraging a better understanding of the challenges of HIV/AIDS nationally and estimates that the number of people infected with HIV/AIDS in the United States is 1.2 million and 1 in 7 are unaware of their infection; there are more than 135,000 people living with HIV/AIDS in California, and an estimated 1,340 HIV/AIDS cases in Solano County; 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 World AIDS Day Theme, "Global Solidarity, Shared Responsibility" urges all Solano County residents to increase their awareness of the risks 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, 2020 as World AIDS Day in Solano County and urges all residents 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 prevention activities and programs, and join the global effort to prevent further spread of HIV/AIDS.

Dated this 17th day of November, 2020

ERIN HANNIGAN, Chairwoman
Solano County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:
BIRGITTA E. CORSELLO, Clerk
Solano County Board of Supervisors

By: _____
Alicia Draves, Chief Deputy Clerk