PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, in remembrance of all who have lost their lives to breast cancer, and in support of those who are currently fighting this disease, we wish to show our support for every individual struggling with breast cancer and pause to remember those we have lost; and

WHEREAS, breast cancer touches every corner of the United States and hundreds of thousands of Americans will be diagnosed with breast cancer. Tens of thousands will likely die from this terrible disease. The statistics are frightening and staggering, yet we are encouraged to know that survival rates have drastically improved in recent years due to increased awareness and innovative advancements in early detection and treatment; and

WHEREAS, we encourage all citizens to be proactive in the crusade against this deadly disease. This includes seeking the advice of healthcare providers, who can better educate patients of the importance of getting appropriate cancer screening tests at the right time, knowing their family history and other risk factors, and making lifestyle changes that may reduce the possibility of breast cancer; and

WHEREAS, American physicians, researchers, public health professionals, and advocates have made tremendous progress in the fight against breast cancer, which is evident by the decline in mortality rates from this disease nationwide. Each life is precious. For this reason, we continue to pursue greater understanding of this disease, support pioneering research, promote effective prevention strategies, and ensure broad access to healthcare screenings. Together, we can usher in a new era of hope in the fight against breast cancer and anticipate the victorious day when this disease no longer plagues our Nation.

NOW THEREFORE, the Brazoria County Commissioners Court does hereby proclaim October 2024 as

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

in Brazoria County and encourage our citizens to fight this disease by increasing awareness, understanding and to emphasize the importance of early detection.

APPROVED this 8th day of October, 2024

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