

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF LAKE,
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

Proclamation

**Recognizing October 24, 2019 as WORLD POLIO DAY
on Behalf of the Four Rotary Clubs in Lake County and Rotary Clubs World-Wide**

- WHEREAS,** the effort to eradicate polio was established by Rotary in 1979 and to date has reduced polio cases by 99.9 percent since that time and over 2.5 billion children in 122 countries have been immunized with Rotary contributing more than \$1.8 billion toward eradicating the disease worldwide and;
- WHEREAS,** the Rotary Clubs of Clearlake, Kelseyville, Lakeport and Middletown contribute to the PolioPlus International Fund every year and;
- WHEREAS,** today polio remains endemic only in Afghanistan, Nigeria and Pakistan and in 1985 Rotary International launches PolioPlus, the first and largest internationally coordinated private-sector support of a public health initiative and;
- WHEREAS,** in 1994 the International Commission for the Certification of Poliomyelitis Eradication announces that polio has been eliminated from the Americas and;
- WHEREAS,** in 2000 a record 550 million children (almost 10% of the world's population) receive the oral polio vaccine and the area spanning from Australia to China is declared polio-free and;
- WHEREAS,** in 2009 Rotary's overall contribution nears \$800 million. January 2009 the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation pledges \$355 million, issues Rotary a challenge grant of \$200 million. In 2011 Rotary's funding for polio eradication exceeds \$1 billion and;
- WHEREAS,** in 2014 India goes 3 full years without a new cause caused by the wild poliovirus; the World Health Organization certifies the South-East Asia region polio-free with polio cases down over 99% since 1988.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Lake does recognize October 24th, 2019 as World Polio Day in the County of Lake, to be acknowledged by all the residents thereof.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 22nd day of October 2019.

ATTEST: CAROL J. HUCHINGSON
Clerk of the Board

COUNTY OF LAKE

By: _____
Deputy



Chair, Board of Supervisors