



Legislation Text

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Memorandum

Date: October 1, 2024
To: The Honorable Lake County Board of Supervisors
From: Jessica Pyska, District 5 Supervisor
Subject: Adopt Proclamation Designating the Month of October 2024 as Pregnancy and Early Infant Loss Awareness Month in Lake County

Executive Summary:

DESIGNATING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2024 AS
PREGNANCY AND EARLY INFANT LOSS AWARENESS MONTH IN LAKE COUNTY

WHEREAS, Pregnancy and Early Infant Loss is more common than we realize. It is estimated in the United States that 1 in 4 pregnancies end in miscarriage, 1 in 175 pregnancies end in stillbirth, and 5 infants per 1000 die before their first birthday; and

WHEREAS, many Lake County parents and families have suffered a miscarriage, a stillbirth or the death of an infant during delivery or shortly after birth, and such a terrible loss is often not recognized; and

WHEREAS, Lake County wishes to acknowledge the profound grief experienced by families who suffer the death of a small child, infant, or pre-term baby; and

WHEREAS, even the shortest lives are still valuable, and the grief of those who mourn the loss of these lives is significant; and

WHEREAS, the 15th day of October is recognized in the United States and around the world, as a day of remembrance and awareness of pregnancy and early infant loss, when Mother-Wise will host a free, community event at 6pm at THAT Ranch in Lakeport for those who have experienced this profound loss; and

WHEREAS, increased awareness of the causes and impacts surrounding pregnancy and infant loss may lead to greater understanding, support, and resources in communities across Lake County; and

WHEREAS, recognizing Pregnancy and Early Infant Loss Awareness Month and Remembrance Day would enable the people of Lake County to consider how, as individuals and communities, they can meet the needs of bereaved mothers, fathers, and family members, and work to prevent the causes of these deaths.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED, the Board of Supervisors do hereby proclaim October 2024 as Pregnancy and Early Infant Loss Awareness month in Lake County, CA and encourage parents, caregivers, and all residents to become educated in opportunities to prevent pregnancy and early infant loss and to support bereaved families when prevention is not possible.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 1st day of October 2024.

If not budgeted, fill in the blanks below only:

Estimated Cost: _____ Amount Budgeted: _____ Additional Requested: _____ Future Annual Cost: _____

Purchasing Considerations (check all that apply):

Not applicable

- Fully Article X. <https://library.municode.com/ca/lake_county/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=COOR_CH2AD_ARTXPU_S2-38EXCOBI>- and/or Consultant Selection Policy <http://lcnet.co.lake.ca.us/Assets/Intranet/Policy/Policies+26+Procedures+Manual/Ch4_2021v2.pdf>-Compliant (*describe process undertaken in "Executive Summary"*)
- Section 2-38 <https://library.municode.com/ca/lake_county/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=COOR_CH2AD_ARTXPU_S2-38EXCOBI> Exemption from Competitive Bidding (*rationale in "Executive Summary," attach documentation, as needed*)
- For Technology Purchases: Vetted and Supported by the Technology Governance Committee <<http://lcnet.co.lake.ca.us/Assets/Intranet/Intranet+Forms/Information+Technology/AdvPlan.pdf>> ("Yes," if checked)
- Other (*Please describe in Executive Summary*)

Consistency with Vision 2028 <<http://www.lakecountyca.gov/Government/Directory/Administration/Visioning/Vision2028.htm>>

(check all that apply):

- Well-being of Residents
- Economic Development
- Community Collaboration
- Not applicable
- Public Safety
- Infrastructure
- Business Process Efficiency
- Disaster Prevention, Preparedness, Recovery
- County Workforce
- Clear Lake

Recommended Action: Adopt Proclamation Designating the Month of October 2024 as Pregnancy and Early Infant Loss Awareness Month in Lake County