

CITY COUNCIL**The City of Orange Township, New Jersey**DATE September 19, 2023NUMBER 360-2023

**TITLE: A RESOLUTION NAMING OCTOBER 2023 AS NATIONAL BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH IN THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP.
(Sponsored by Councilmember-At-Large Adrienne Wooten)**

WHEREAS, during National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, we stand with the courageous women and men who have been diagnosed with breast cancer and honor those who have lost their battle to this terrible disease; and

WHEREAS, as the second most common cancer affecting women, an estimated 1 in 8 women will develop breast cancer over the course of their lifetime and 281,550 women will be diagnosed with breast cancer in the United States in 2021; and

WHEREAS, Cancer touches so many families across the country — including our community. It is up to all of us to continue fighting for a cure and to ensure that every resident of the City of Orange Township has access to the quality care they need; and

WHEREAS, this year marks the 30th anniversary of the National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program, which provides free breast and cervical cancer screenings to low-income, uninsured, and underinsured women in every State, as well as many Tribal organizations and Territories; and

WHEREAS, early detection is one of the most important strategies for treating breast cancer successfully, and regular screenings are the most reliable way to detect it early; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has disrupted many parts of our lives, and has produced new deficits in breast cancer early detection, so there is renewed urgency to getting these recommended screenings scheduled, before a cancer has spread and becomes less treatable; and

WHEREAS, we encourage everyone to maintain their scheduled screenings, doctor appointments, and treatments without delay while observing coronavirus safety measures; and

WHEREAS, for decades, the medical community and advocates have helped our Nation make great progress in the fight against cancer.

WHEREAS, the Affordable Care Act (ACA) has expanded coverage to millions of women who were previously uninsured and has given millions of women access to preventive services, including screening tests such as mammograms with no out-of-pocket costs; and

WHEREAS, insurance companies can no longer discriminate against women with pre-existing conditions, such as breast cancer; and

WHEREAS, we observe National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, we are united in our commitment to ending breast cancer and improving the lives of all those affected by this illness; and


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WHEREAS, we applaud the advocates, medical professionals, researchers, and caregivers who dedicate their lives to making progress toward cures.

WHEREAS, this month, we stand in solidarity with breast cancer survivors across our community.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township do hereby name October 2023 as National Breast Cancer Awareness month in the City of Orange Township.

Adopted: September 19, 2023

Joyce L. Lanier
City Clerk

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Council President

