

## **DECLARATION**

## OF THE CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA

*WHEREAS*, in 2024, more than 360,000 people will be diagnosed with breast cancer, and one in eight women in America will be diagnosed with the disease in their lifetimes; and

*WHEREAS*, Breast Cancer Awareness Month is an international health campaign held every October to promote screening and prevention of the disease, which affects 2.3 million women worldwide; and

WHEREAS, known best for its pink theme color, the month features several campaigns and programs aimed at supporting people diagnosed with breast cancer, educating people about breast cancer risk factors, and encouraging women to go for regular breast cancer screening starting at age 40 or earlier, depending on personal breast cancer risk.; and

**WHEREAS**, advancements in early detection methods and support continue to increase the chances of survival, and when caught in its earliest, localized stages, the 5-year relative survival rate of breast cancer is 99 percent; and

*WHEREAS*, this National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, we honor those we have lost, offer strength to those who continue to live with breast cancer and celebrate the courageous survivors and advocates fighting to beat it.

Therefore,

The Board of County Commissioners, Clay County, Florida, does hereby declare October 2024, as

## BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH IN CLAY COUNTY