CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA CITY COUNCIL PROCLAMATION

A PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER AS OVARIAN CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, ovarian cancer is the fifth leading cause of cancer deaths of women in the United States and causes more deaths than any other gynecologic cancer; and

WHEREAS, in the United States, a woman's lifetime risk of being diagnosed with ovarian cancer is about 1 in 78; and

WHEREAS, all women are at risk for ovarian cancer, but approximately 20 percent of women who are diagnosed with ovarian cancer have a hereditary predisposition to ovarian cancer, which places them at even higher risk; and

WHEREAS, the lack of an early detection test for ovarian cancer combined with its vague symptoms mean that approximately 80 percent of cases of ovarian cancer are detected at an advanced stage; and

WHEREAS, improved awareness of the symptoms of ovarian cancer by the pubic and health care providers can lead to a quicker diagnosis; and

WHEREAS, ongoing investments in ovarian cancer research and education and awareness efforts are critical to closing these gaps and improving survivorship for women with ovarian cancer.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Dave Potter, as Mayor of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea, do hereby proclaim September 2024 as **Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month** in the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea to increase public awareness of ovarian cancer.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea to be affixed this 10th day of September 2024.

Dave Potter, Mayor	