

# Resolution

**WHEREAS**, this year, nearly 20,000 women in the United States will be diagnosed with ovarian cancer, which is hard to detect and usually discovered in advanced stages, and therefore, this disease is often deadly for those diagnosed; and

**WHEREAS**, during Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month, our Nation honors those who are struggling with this dreaded disease, remembers the loved ones we have lost, recommits to ending ovarian cancer and all cancer; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2012, MD Anderson Launched its MoonShots Program™ in a comprehensive effort to reduce deaths and transform cancer care significantly. At the MD Anderson Cancer Center, Ovarian Cancer is one of its primary research areas in the MoonShot Program with teams to pursue innovative projects prioritized for the most significant patient impact. MoonShot efforts will help support all cancer research at MD Anderson; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2016, then Vice President Joe Biden re-ignited the Cancer MoonShot Initiative nationally. The Cancer MoonShot Initiative has a goal of cutting the cancer death rate in half, at least, over the next 25 years; and

**WHEREAS**, the incidence of ovarian cancer has decreased over the last decades as survival rates have increased. Although no standardized screening tests for ovarian cancer have been shown to improve outcomes, the MD Anderson Cancer Center is working to change that. CA-125, a cancer biomarker being studied at MD Anderson, as well as other new biomarkers, are being evaluated as a screening test: now, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Harris County Commissioners Court hereby designates the Month of September as

## Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month

in Harris County, Texas, and encourages all women to be aware of the symptoms.

It is hereby **ORDERED** that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of Commissioners Court this 27th day of September 2022.

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**LINA HIDALGO**, County Judge

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**RODNEY ELLIS**, Commissioner  
Precinct One

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**ADRIAN GARCIA**, Commissioner  
Precinct Two

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**TOM S. RAMSEY, P.E.**, Commissioner  
Precinct Three

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**R. JACK CAGLE**, Commissioner  
Precinct Four

ATTEST:

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Teneshia Hudspeth, County Clerk  
Harris County, T E X A S