

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF LAKE,
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

PROCLAMATION

DESIGNATING MAY 2026 AS LYME AND TICK-BORNE DISEASES AWARENESS MONTH IN LAKE COUNTY

WHEREAS, warm weather increases outdoor activities, and Lake County residents work and recreate in our woods, fields and open areas that may be inhabited or infested by ticks carried by wildlife, birds, and domestic animals; and

WHEREAS, the California Lyme Disease Advisory Committee (LDAC) and LymeDisease.org have provided years of advocacy, education, and support for patients with Lyme and tick-borne diseases in California; and

WHEREAS, the rate of infection of Lyme disease and other tick-borne diseases in Lake County and across California remains a public health concern, with local risks heightened by species such as the Western black-legged tick; and

WHEREAS, ticks can transmit serious and potentially fatal diseases such as Lyme disease, Babesiosis, Bartonellosis, Anaplasmosis, Ehrlichiosis, Tularemia, and rickettsial infections; and

WHEREAS, Lyme disease, when not properly diagnosed or treated, may affect the brain, heart, joints and other organs and mimic many other diseases, making proper diagnosis more difficult; and

WHEREAS, new science and testing guidelines continue to evolve regarding Lyme and tick-borne diseases, and citizens and medical providers are encouraged to take all tick-borne diseases seriously; and

WHEREAS, the best protections against tick-borne diseases are prevention, education and early treatment.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED, the Lake County Board of Supervisors does hereby designate May 2026 as Lyme and Tick-Borne Diseases Awareness Month in Lake County and encourages all residents to join in this observance by learning about prevention, checking for ticks after outdoor activities, seeking reliable resources through the California Lyme Disease Advisory Committee (LDAC) and LymeDisease.org, and supporting education and early detection efforts.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 19th day of May 2026.

ATTEST: SUSAN PARKER
Clerk to the Board

By: _____



COUNTY OF LAKE

Chair, Board of Supervisors