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RESOLUTION NO. 147-13

[Lyme Disease Awareness Month - May 2013]

Resolution declaring May 2013 as Lyme Disease Awareness Month.

WHEREAS, Lyme disease is a serious bacterial infection that is commonly transmitted by infected ticks and is spreading everywhere in the world, including nationally, statewide and locally; and

WHEREAS, There is an average of 33,000 new cases of Lyme disease were reported in the United States 2011, the most recent year for which we have national statistics; and

WHEREAS, The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention indicates that the reported cases of Lyme disease are only 10 percent of the actual cases that meet surveillance criteria; and

WHEREAS, The tick that spreads Lyme disease has been found in 56 out of California's 57 counties; and

WHEREAS, Seven San Franciscans are known to have contracted Lyme disease since 1995 and co-infections from being bitten by infected ticks in the City with three reported to the Department of Public Health; and

WHEREAS, If treated immediately and appropriately, Lyme disease can usually be cured; and

WHEREAS, If untreated or misdiagnosed, Lyme disease can cause long-term health problems, including neurological disorders, memory loss, muscle and joint pain, fatigue, psychological disorders and, in some rare cases, can be fatal; and

WHEREAS, In the State of California, ticks are present throughout the year and we must take precautions to protect humans and animals from tick bites all year long; and

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WHEREAS, Immediately following a previous year's introduction of a resolution proclaiming May 2012 as Lyme Disease Awareness Month at the Board of Supervisors meeting, a San Francisco resident who had watched the proceedings recognized his own symptoms for the first time; and WHEREAS, The month of May is recognized nationally and by the State of California as Lyme Disease Awareness Month; now, therefore be it RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco does hereby proclaim May 2013 as Lyme Disease Awareness Month. Supervisors Kim and Campos **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS** Page 2

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May 14, 2013 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Avalos, Breed, Campos, Chiu, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Tang, Wiener and Yee Absent: 1 - Mar

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 5/14/2013 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

0 Angela Calvillo

Clerk of the Board

Unsigned

Mayor

5/22/13

Date Approved

Date: May 22, 2013

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

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