

PROCLAMATION

A PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRISBANE DECLARING APRIL 22-28, 2012 AS WEST NILE VIRUS AND MOSQUITO AND VECTOR CONTROL AWARENESS WEEK

WHEREAS, West Nile virus is a mosquito-borne disease that can result in death or severe debilitation for humans, horses, birds, and wildlife; and

WHEREAS, in 2011, West Nile Virus resulted in eight deaths in California residents, and sickened over 155 individuals in 23 counties tested positive for the virus, of which 111 developed neuroinvasive disease; and adequately funded mosquito control, disease surveillance, and public awareness programs are the best ways to prevent outbreaks of West Nile virus; and

WHEREAS, mosquitoes continue to be a source of illness, death, and human suffering; and professional mosquito control based on scientific research has made great advances in reducing mosquitoes and the diseases they transmit; and

WHEREAS, the San Mateo County Mosquito and Vector Control District works with other public health agencies to reduce pesticide risks to humans, animals, and the environment while protecting human health; and

WHEREAS, West Nile Virus and Mosquito and Vector Control Awareness Week will increase the public's awareness of West Nile virus and of the importance of integrated management in controlling mosquitoes and other vectors in San Mateo County.

THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City of Brisbane that the week of April 22, 2012 through April 28, 2012 be designated as West Nile Virus and Mosquito and Vector Control Awareness Week in the City of Brisbane.

Dated this 16th day of April, 2012

Cliff Lentz, Mayor