**WHEREAS,** with proper care and access to comprehensive medical resources, those with hemophilia and other bleeding disorders can lead productive lives; and

WHEREAS, the State of California and the Hemophilia Council of California are committed to the proper care and treatment of children and adults with hemophilia and other related disorders and to advance the quality of life through advocacy, education, and outreach through ongoing collaboration; and

WHEREAS, the Hemophilia Foundation of Southern California's principal mission is to improve the quality of life, and elevate awareness and engagement of the public for those living with inherited bleeding disorders in Southern California; and

**WHEREAS**, these bleeding disorders, which share the inability to form a proper blood clot, are characterized by extended bleeding after injury, surgery, trauma, or menstruation and can lead to significant morbidity and can be fatal if not treated effectively; and

WHEREAS, this Awareness Month will generate greater awareness and understanding of hemophilia, and all inheritable bleeding disorders, including von Willebrand Disease, Platelet Storage Pool Disorder, and Glanzmann's Thrombasthenia—which impact an estimated one percent of the U.S. population or more than 3.2 million individuals; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Jan C. Harnik, Mayor of the City of Palm Desert, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby recognize the month of March 2025 as

## Bleeding Disorder Awareness Month

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Official Seal of the City of Palm Desert, California to be affixed this 27<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025.