

## City of San Elemente

WHEREAS, organ, eye, tissue, marrow and blood donations are lifegiving acts recognized worldwide as expressions of compassion to those in need; and

WHEREAS, more than 108,000 individuals nationwide and almost 21,000 in California are currently on the national organ transplant waiting list, and on average, 17 people die each day while waiting; and

WHEREAS, donation of tissue can save and heal the lives of more than 75 others; and

WHEREAS, a single individual's donation of the heart, lungs, liver, kidneys, pancreas and small intestine can save up to eight lives; and

WHEREAS, deceased organ donors saved more than 33,000 lives last year, the most ever; and

WHEREAS, over seventeen million Californians have signed up with the state-authorized Donate Life California Donor Registry to ensure their wishes to be organ, eye and tissue donors are honored.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, KATHY WARD, Mayor of the City of San Clemente, California, acting on behalf of the City Council and citizens of San Clemente, do hereby declare the month of April 2021 as

## DMV/Donate Life Month

and by so doing, encourage all residents of San Clemente to check "YES!" when applying for or renewing their driver's license or I.D. card at the DMV, or by registering at <a href="www.donateLIFEcalifornia.org">www.donateLIFEcalifornia.org</a> or <a href="www.donateLIFEcalifornia.org">www.doneVIDAcalifornia.org</a>.

Kathy Ward, Mayor

City of San Clemente, California

Dated this 6th day of April, 2021