



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MEMORANDUM

3/11/2025

To: Robin Stieler, Clerk of the Board

From: Chair Doug Chaffee, Fourth District

Subject: Presentation Item for April 22, 2025, Board of Supervisors Meeting – DMV/Donate Life Month

Chair Doug Chaffee requests a presentation be added to the agenda for the April 22, 2025, Board of Supervisors meeting. The title should read:

Chair Chaffee will be presenting a resolution recognizing the month of April as DMV/Donate Life Month.

Doug Chaffee

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DMV/Donate Life Month

By the authority of the Orange County Board of Supervisors, the following resolution is hereby issued:

WHEREAS, organ, eye, and tissue donation are life-giving acts recognized worldwide as expressions of compassion to those in need; and

WHEREAS, more than 114,000 individuals nationwide and more than 23,000 in California are currently on the national organ transplant waitlist, and on average, 17 people die each day while waiting; and

WHEREAS, the need for donated organs is especially urgent in Hispanic, Latino, and African American communities; 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, donation of tissue can save and heal the lives of more than 75 others; and

WHEREAS, organ donors saved more than 48,000 lives last year, most ever; and

WHEREAS, any person can register to be an organ, eye, and tissue donor regardless of age or medical conditions; and

WHEREAS, being a registered donor does not impact the quality of life-saving medical care a person receives in an emergency; and

WHEREAS, California residents can sign up with the Donate Life California Donor Registry online at any time by visiting www.donateLIFeCalifornia.org or, for Spanish-speakers, www.doneVIDAcalifornia.org; and

WHEREAS, California residents can sign up to be an organ, eye, and tissue donor when applying for or renewing their driver's licenses or ID cards at the California Department of Motor Vehicles; and

WHEREAS, California residents interested in saving a life through living kidney donation may visit www.LivingDonationCalifornia.org; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Orange County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaim in recognition of National Donate Life Month, the month of April 2025 is hereby proclaimed "DMV/Donate Life Month" in the County of Orange, and in doing so we encourage all Californians to check "YES!" online, or when applying for or renewing their driver's license or I.D. card at the DMV.