The State of New Hampshire By His Excellency Christopher T. Sununu, Governor

A Proclamation

In the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty-Two

LUNG CANCER AWARENESS MONTH NOVEMBER 2022

WHEREAS, lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer deaths in both men and women in the United States, and in New Hampshire; and

WHEREAS, lung cancer has only a 22 percent, five-year survival rate, and will take the lives of more than 710 people in New Hampshire this year; and

WHEREAS, 80-90 percent of lung cancer deaths are attributed to cigarette smoking, and people who are non-smokers have a 20-30 percent greater chance of developing lung cancer if they were regularly exposed to secondhand smoke; and

WHEREAS, funding for lung cancer research trails far behind funding for research of many other cancers, and additional research is needed in early diagnosis, screening, and treatment for lung cancer, as well as in lung cancer affecting women and lung cancer health disparities; and

WHEREAS, organizations working in New Hampshire, such as the American Lung Cancer Screening Initiative and Women's Lung Cancer Forum, are committed to educating people about lung cancer and lung cancer screening and working to increase lung cancer screening rates in New Hampshire; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Hampshire demonstrates its commitment to making lung cancer a public health priority, by supporting advocacy work on behalf of lung cancer patients and all those at risk for the disease, and by offering support and care for all those in our state affected by lung cancer;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRISTOPHER T. SUNUNU, GOVERNOR of the State of New Hampshire, do hereby proclaim NOVEMBER 2022 as LUNG CANCER AWARENESS MONTH in the State of New Hampshire, and call this to the attention of all citizens.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the State of New Hampshire to be affixed this 1st day of November, 2022.

Christopher T. Sununu Governor