

City of Mansfield

Proclamation

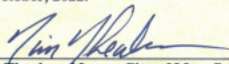
LUNG CANCER AWARENESS MONTH
NOVEMBER - 2022

- WHEREAS, lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer death among men and women in the United States, accounting for more deaths than colon cancer, breast cancer, and prostate cancer combined; and
- WHEREAS, the 5-year survival rate for localized lung cancer is 60% yet only 24% of lung cancers are diagnosed at this stage; and
- WHEREAS, screening for lung cancer for high-risk individuals using low-dose computed tomography can lead to the earlier detection of lung cancer and save lives, reducing the mortality by 20% when compared to screening by chest x-ray in the National Lung Screening Trial, and reducing the risk of death at 10 years by 24% in men and 33% in women; 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 of lung cancer, as well as in lung cancer affecting women, and lung cancer health disparities; and
- WHEREAS, lung cancer incidence is decreasing twice as fast in men as it is in women, each year more women die from lung cancer than breast cancer, and by 2035, more women will die from lung cancer than men; and
- WHEREAS, African Americans have the highest lung cancer incidence and mortality of all races, and disparities in lung cancer screening, diagnosis, treatment, and mortality are well characterized among African Americans and other racial minorities; and
- WHEREAS, organizations working in Ohio such as the American Lung Cancer Screening Initiative and Women's Lung Cancer Forum are committed to educating about lung cancer and lung cancer screening, and working to increase lung cancer screening rates in Mansfield;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM THEAKER, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MANSFIELD, OHIO, do hereby proclaim November, 2022 as *Lung Cancer Awareness Month* in Mansfield, and recognize the need for research in lung cancer affecting women and lung cancer health disparities, and encouraging all citizens to learn about lung cancer and early detection through lung cancer screening.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Mansfield, Ohio to be affixed this 18th day of October, 2022.


Tim Theaker, Mayor, City of Mansfield