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City of Bay City Proclamation

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; 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, 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, lung cancer in individuals who never smoked is the 7th leading cause of cancer-related death and accounts for 17,000-26,000 deaths in the US every year, 60-70% of individuals diagnosed with lung cancer who never smoked are women, and the proportion of lung cancers diagnosed in people who never smoked is increasing in the US; and

Whereas, lung cancer research is leading to breakthroughs in the identification of genetic alterations associated with lung cancer and in the development of lung cancer treatments; and

Whereas, organizations 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; and

Now, Therefore, I, Kathleen L. Newsham, Mayor of the City of Bay City, do hereby proclaim the month of November 2023, as

LUNG CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

in Bay City and encourage 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 Bay City to be affixed this 1st day of November in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Three.



Kathleen L. Newsham, Mayor
CITY OF BAY CITY, MICHIGAN

