

The Town of
Leesburg,
Virginia

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, 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

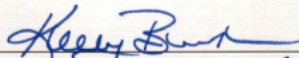
WHEREAS, the 5-year survival rate for localized lung cancer is less than 60%, yet only less than 24% of lung cancers are diagnosed at this stage; and

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 for lung cancer affecting women and lung cancer health disparities; and

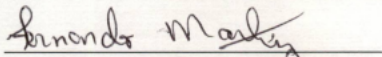
WHEREAS, lung cancer incidence is decreasing twice as fast in men as it is in women. Each year more women die from lung cancer than breast cancer and by 2035, more women will die from lung cancer than men; and

THEREFORE, PROCLAIMED, that the Mayor and Council of the Town of Leesburg in Virginia hereby proclaim November as Lung Cancer Awareness Month and recognizes organizations such as the American Lung Cancer Screening Initiative and Women's Lung Cancer Forum, for their efforts towards educating about lung cancer and lung cancer screening and working to increase lung cancer screening rates.

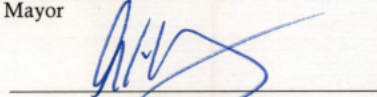
PROCLAIMED this 11th day of October, 2022.



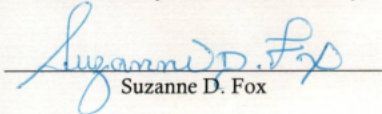
Kelly Burk, Mayor



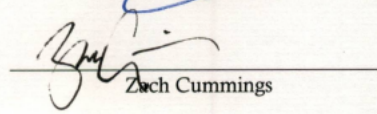
Fernando "Marty" Martinez, Vice Mayor



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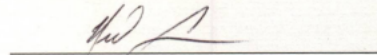


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