

PROCLAMATION

Mayor Rick Danner recognizes

Lung Cancer Awareness Month

in the City of Greer

WHEREAS, lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer death among men and women in the United States and Greer, South Carolina, accounting for more deaths than colon cancer, breast cancer, and prostate cancer combined; and

WHEREAS, according to the Centers for Disease Control, there were 1631 new cases and 1040 deaths because of lung cancer from 2016-2020 in Greenville County; 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 as demonstrated by another large randomized trial; 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.

WHEREAS, organizations working in Greer, South Carolina, 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 Greer, South Carolina.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Richard W. Danner, Mayor of the City of Greer do hereby proclaim the month of November 2023 as Lung Cancer Awareness Month in the City of Greer.

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AND CAUSED TRING SEAL TO BE AFFIXED

RICHARD W. DANNER

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November 1, 2023

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