



Proclamation City of Highland

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 approximately 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 for lung cancer; 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, 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, including immunotherapies and targeted therapies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the City Council of the City of Highland, California, does hereby proclaim November, 2022, as LUNG CANCER AWARENESS MONTH and encourages all citizens to learn about lung cancer and early detection through lung cancer screening.

Proclaimed this 11th day of October, 2022.


Larry McCallon
Mayor

