

ONE CITY. ONE JACKSONVILLE

WHEREAS: Lung cancer is the deadliest cancer in the United States and Florida.

According to the American Cancer Society, there are 12,673 new

cases and 8,399 deaths annually in Florida; and

WHEREAS: Among individuals diagnosed with localized lung cancer, the five-year

survival rate is almost 60%. However, less than 18% of cases are

caught this early; and

WHEREAS: It is imperative that individuals understand their risks for lung cancer

and take the time to engage in regular lung cancer screenings; and

WHEREAS: Studies show that women are at a disproportionately higher risk of

being affected by lung cancer. The rates of lung cancer in men are decreasing at a rate twice as fast as that of cases in women. It is estimated that by 2035, more women will die from lung cancer then

men; and

WHEREAS: In Jacksonville, it is crucial to inform women of the potentially higher

risk of lung cancer and encourage routine screenings. Early diagnosis is key in treating lung cancer in all individuals and routine screenings increase our understanding of the disease and, most importantly,

save lives.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim November 1-7, 2021 as

WOMEN'S LUNG CANCER AWARENESS WEEK

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to learn about lung cancer and the disparities that exist between women and men diagnosed with lung cancer and to seek early detection through regular lung cancer screenings.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 1st day of October in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-One

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