



## Lung Cancer Awareness Month

*WHEREAS, lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer death among both men and women in the United States and Texas in 2020, accounting for more deaths than colon cancer, breast cancer, and prostate cancer combined; and*

*WHEREAS, according to the Texas State Cancer Registry, there were 5,337 new lung cancer cases and 3,666 deaths because of lung cancer between 2013 and 2017 in Dallas County, 1,377 new cases and 896 deaths in Denton County, and 40,479 new cases and 13,357 deaths in Tarrant County; and*

*WHEREAS, the five-year survival rate for localized lung cancer is ~59%, yet only ~17% of lung cancers are diagnosed at this stage; and*

*WHEREAS, screening for lung cancer in high-risk individuals, using low-dose computed tomography, can lead to 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, funding for lung cancer research trails far behind funding for many other cancers. 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, women diagnosed with lung cancer are more likely to be young, never-smokers. Incidence and mortality rates among women are rising and more women die from lung cancer than breast cancer every year. By 2035, it is expected that more women will die from lung cancer than men; and*

*WHEREAS, organizations working in the Grapevine community, such as the American Lung Cancer Screening Initiative and Women's Lung Cancer Forum, are committed to educating our citizens about lung cancer and lung cancer screening and are working to increase lung cancer screening rates in Grapevine.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor Tate, Mayor of the City of Grapevine, Texas, do hereby proclaim November 2020, as*

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*in the City of Grapevine. We recognize the need for research in lung cancer affecting women and lung cancer health disparities, and encourage all citizens, to learn about lung cancer and early detection through lung cancer screening.*



*Mayor, City of Grapevine*

