

Office of the Mayor
City of Sheboygan

Proclamation

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

WHEREAS, according to the CDC, there were 399 new lung cancer cases and 293 deaths because of lung cancer between 2013 and 2017 in Sheboygan 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, 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 in lung cancer affecting women and lung cancer health disparities; and

WHEREAS, organizations working in the Sheboygan community, 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 Sheboygan.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mike Vandersteen, Mayor of the City of Sheboygan, do hereby proclaim

NOVEMBER AS LUNG CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

in Sheboygan, and recognize the need for research in lung cancer affecting women and lung cancer health disparities, and encourage all residents, to learn about lung cancer and early detection through lung cancer screening.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of Sheboygan to be affixed. Done this sixteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord, two thousand twenty.



MAYOR MIKE VANDERSTEEN