

City of Corpus Christi



Proclamation

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

WHEREAS, according to the Centers for Disease Control, there were 892 new lung cancer cases and 603 deaths due to lung cancer between 2015 and 2019 in Nueces County; and the 5-year survival rate for localized lung cancer is 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 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 Texas 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.

NOW, therefore, pursuant to the powers vested in me as Mayor of the City of Corpus Christi, I do hereby proclaim,

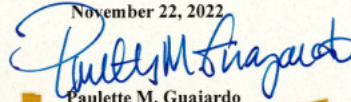
November 2022

“Lung Cancer Awareness Month”

in Corpus Christi, Texas, and encourage all citizens to learn about lung cancer and early detection through lung cancer screening.

IN TESTIMONY THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused to be affixed the Seal of the City of Corpus Christi on

November 22, 2022


Paulette M. Guajardo
Mayor

