

Proclamation



City of Waco

WHEREAS, Lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer-related deaths in the United States, and is often caught in its later stages when treatment and prognosis are poor; therefore, decreasing the odds of survival; and

WHEREAS, It has been proven that lung cancer screenings significantly reduce mortality rates as the disease can be caught and treated earlier; and

WHEREAS, Studies have proven that lung cancer screenings can increase the number of lung cancers diagnosed at an early stage and a thirty-three percent reduction in lung cancer mortality; and

WHEREAS, The American Lung Cancer Screening Initiative (ALCSI) is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to spread awareness about the importance of lung cancer screening for high-risk individuals; and

WHEREAS, Given the tremendous potential of lung cancer screening to save lives, the American Lung Cancer Screening Initiative aims to increase awareness of lung cancer screening through community outreach and education and to help high-risk individuals get screened for lung cancer; and

WHEREAS, This organization has given over one hundred fifty presentations on lung cancer to a wide range of audiences, including students, community members, healthcare providers, community leaders, and policymakers; and

WHEREAS, The American Lung Cancer Screening Initiative (ALCSI) has directly taught over ten thousand individuals about lung cancer screening within the United States alone through community presentations and has worked with the House and Senate to pass several resolutions recognizing the importance of the early detection of lung cancer through screening.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Dillon Meek, Mayor of the City of Waco, do hereby proclaim November 2022, as:

"LUNG CANCER AWARENESS MONTH"

in the City of Waco and urge all residents to join with the City Council, City staff, and me to promote public education on lung cancer and lung cancer screening, while emphasizing personal commitments to raise awareness about the resources available for early detection screenings.

In testimony whereof, witness my hand and the Seal of the City of Waco this 1st day of November, A.D., 2022.

Dillon Meek
Mayor

Andrea J. Barefield
Council Member, District I

Kelly Palmer
Mayor Pro-Tem, District IV

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Attest:

Michelle Hicks
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