

**TOWN OF EAST HARTFORD
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PROCLAMATION

By

Office of the Mayor

WHEREAS, Lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer death among men and women in the United States and in Connecticut in 2022, accounting for more deaths than colon cancer, breast cancer, and prostate cancer combined; and

WHEREAS, according to the Centers for Disease Control, there were 3,389 new lung cancer cases and 1,813 deaths because of lung cancer between 2015 and 2019 in Hartford County, Connecticut; 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, women diagnosed with lung cancer are more likely to be younger and never-smokers, lung cancer incidence and mortality rates in women are rising relative to men, and

WHEREAS, more women die from lung cancer than breast cancer every year and by 2035, it is expected that more women will die from lung cancer than men; and

WHEREAS, organizations such as American Lung Cancer Screening Initiative and Women's Lung Cancer Forum, are committed to educating about lung cancer and lung cancer screening in an effort to increase lung cancer screening rates.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael P. Walsh, Mayor of the great Town of East Hartford, do proclaim the month of November as:

“Lung Cancer Awareness Month”

In the Town of East Hartford and recognize the need for researching health disparities affecting women, and encourage all citizens to learn about lung cancer and early detection through lung cancer screening.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the Town of East Hartford to be affixed this First day of November, Two-thousand and Twenty Two.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Michael P. Walsh".

Michael P. Walsh, Mayor