



Proclamation

BY BRANDON M. SCOTT, MAYOR

LUNG CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

November 2022

- WHEREAS,** lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer-related death among men and women in the United States, accounting for more deaths than colon cancer, breast cancer, and prostate cancer combined; and
- WHEREAS,** 1 in 15 men and 1 in 17 women in the United States will develop lung cancer during their lifetime; and
- WHEREAS,** lung cancer incidence is decreasing twice as fast in men as in women, each year more women die from lung cancer than breast cancer, and by 2035, it is estimated that more women will die from lung cancer than men; and
- WHEREAS,** disparities in lung cancer screening, diagnosis, treatment, and mortality are well-documented, and Black men have the highest incidence of lung cancer and the highest mortality rate from lung cancer of any racial or ethnic group; and
- WHEREAS,** annually, lung cancer in individuals who have never smoked is the seventh leading cause of cancer-related death and accounts for between 17,000 and 26,000 deaths in the United States; and
- WHEREAS,** current lung cancer screening guidelines help catch cancer early for individuals at high risk of lung cancer, leading to a higher likelihood of successful treatment; and
- WHEREAS,** educational efforts can increase awareness of lung cancer and lung cancer screening among the general public, patients and their families, and health care workers, thereby increasing the early detection of lung cancer.

THEREFORE, I, Brandon M. Scott, Mayor of the City of Baltimore, do hereby proclaim November 2022 as "LUNG CANCER AWARENESS MONTH" in Baltimore, and encourage Baltimore residents to join in the celebration.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set the Great Seal of the City of Baltimore to be affixed this first day of November, two thousand twenty-two.



Brandon M. Scott

Mayor