

# PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** Lung Cancer is the leading cause of cancer death among men and women in the United States and Arizona, accounting for more deaths than Colon Cancer, Breast Cancer, and Prostate Cancer combined; and,
- WHEREAS,** The 5-year survival rate for localized lung cancer is about 60%, yet only about 24% of lung cancers are diagnosed at this stage; 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,** African Americans have the highest lung cancer incidence and mortality of all races, and disparities in lung cancer screening, diagnosis, treatment, and mortality are well characterized among African Americans and other racial minorities; and,
- WHEREAS,** Lung Cancer in individuals who have never smoked is the 7<sup>th</sup> leading cause of cancer-related death and accounts for 17,000-26,000 deaths in the US every year; and,
- WHEREAS,** Organizations working in Maricopa County 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 Arizona; and,
- WHEREAS,** The City of Tempe recognized the need for research in Lung Cancer affecting women and Lung Cancer health disparities, and encourage all citizens to learn about lung cancer and early detection through Lung Cancer screening.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Corey Woods, Mayor of the City of Tempe, Arizona, do hereby declare:

**November 2023**  
as  
**Lung Cancer Awareness Month**  
in Tempe, Arizona

IN WITNESS WHEREOF,  
I hereunto set my hand  
this 1<sup>st</sup> day of November,  
Two Thousand and  
Twenty-Three.

  
Corey D. Woods

