

# Proclamation

## CITY OF HENDERSON, NEVADA

**WHEREAS,** lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer death among men and women in the United States and in Nevada in 2020, accounting for more deaths than colon cancer, breast cancer, and prostate cancer combined; and,

**WHEREAS,** according to the Nevada Central Cancer Registry, there were 8,559 new lung cancer cases and 6,451 deaths because of lung cancer between 2008 and 2012 in Nevada, with a 5-year survival rate for localized lung cancer at 59%; 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; 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; and,

**WHEREAS,** women diagnosed with lung cancer are more likely to be younger and have never smoked; lung cancer incidence and mortality rates are rising relative to men; and more women die from lung cancer than breast cancer every year; and,

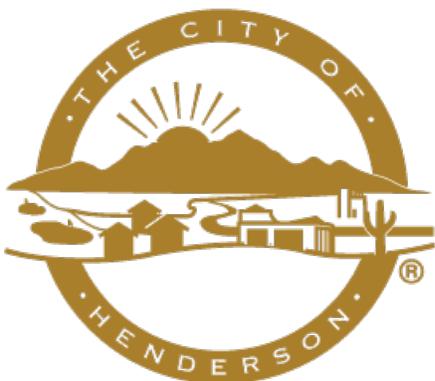
**WHEREAS,** as America's Premier Community, the City of Henderson has the mission to provide services and resources that enhance the quality of life for those who live, learn, work and play in our city by supporting organizations such as the American Lung Cancer Screening Initiative and Women's Lung Cancer Forum, who are committed to providing education about lung cancer and lung cancer screening, in order to increase lung cancer screening rates;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Debra March, as Mayor of the City of Henderson, Nevada, do hereby proclaim November 2020, as

## **LUNG CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**

*and encourage all residents to learn about lung cancer, the need for research, and early detection through lung cancer screening.*

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Henderson, Nevada, to be affixed this 10<sup>th</sup> day of November 2020.





**DEBRA MARCH**

*Mayor, City of Henderson*

**ATTEST:**



**SABRINA MERCADANTE, MMC**

*City Clerk*