Proclamation Of the City of New Haven

Recognizing November 2021 as Lung Cancer Awareness Month

Phereas, the City of New Haven recognizes this month, November of 2021 as Lung Cancer Awareness Month.

Whereas, lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer death among all genders in the United States, and in this City, accounting for more deaths than colon cancer, breast cancer, and prostate cancer combined,

Whereas, only around 17% of lung cancers are diagnosed a state in which there is a high survival rate, and computed tomography screening for lung cancer can lead to the earlier detection of lung cancer, saving lives by reducing the mortality by 20% in comparison to the more common chest x-ray,

Whereas, funding for lung cancer research is behind the funding for many other cancers, including funding for research into lung cancer affecting women, an incidence that is not decreasing as quickly as men's lung cancer,

Thereas, the high incidence of lung cancer tracks with oppression in the United States, with the majority of never-smoker lung cancer diagnoses being of women, as well as African Americans having the highest lung cancer incidence and mortality rate out of all races in the country, all of which could be prevented and equalized through increased research and screening,

Whereas, organizations within New Haven like the American Lung Cancer Screening Initiative and Women's Lung Cancer Forum are committed to raising awareness about lung cancer in New Haven, and increasing screening rates for lung cancer in the community.

Now, therefore, do I, as Mayor of the City of New Haven hereby recognize Lung Cancer Awareness Month

We, at the City of New Haven, recognize Lung Cancer Awareness Month.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the seal of the City of New Haven to be affixed.

Dated at New Haven, Connecticut, this 2nd Day of June, in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-One.

Mayor

