



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

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Froclamation

WHEREAS, despite advances in medical technology and research, men continue to live an average of five years less than women with Native American and African American men having lower life expectancy averages; and

WHEREAS, educating the public and health care providers about the importance of a healthy lifestyle and early detection of male health problems will result in reducing rates of mortality from disease; and

WHEREAS, men who are educated about the value of preventative health will be more likely to participate in health screenings; and

WHEREAS, fathers who maintain a healthy lifestyle are role models for their children and have happier, healthier children; and

WHEREAS, the Men's Health Network worked with Congress to develop Men's Health Week as a special campaign to help educate men, boys, and their families about the importance of positive health attitudes and preventative health practices; and

WHEREAS, Men's Health Week will focus on a broad range of men's health issues, including heart disease, diabetes, mental health, prostate, testicular and colon cancer; and

WHEREAS, the residents of Richmond are encouraged to heighten their awareness of preventable health problems and treatment of disease;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Dwight C Jones, Mayor of the City of Richmond, Virginia do hereby proclaim June 13 - 19, 2016 as

"Men's Health Week"

in the City of Richmond and call upon all residents of our great city to encourage all men and boys to pursue preventative health practices and early detection efforts.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed, the seal of the City of Richmond, this 1st day of June, 2016.

Dwight C. Jones, Mayor City of Richmond