

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

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

WHEREAS, Men's Health Network worked with Congress to develop National Men's Health Week as a special campaign to help educate men 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, Coloradans are encouraged to increase awareness of the importance of a healthy lifestyle, regular exercise, and medical check-ups;

Therefore, I, John W. Hickenlooper, Governor of the entire State of Colorado, do hereby proclaim, forever after, the period between June 13, 2016, and June 17, 2016 as

MEN'S HEALTH WEEK

in the State of Colorado.



GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado, this thirteenth day of June, 2016

John W. Hickenlooper

Governor