

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 a significantly lower life expectancies; and

WHEREAS: Educating the public and healthcare providers about the importance of

a healthy lifestyle and health screenings help reduce rates of mortality

from disease; and

WHEREAS: Men's Health Network, along with the U.S. Congress, worked to

develop National Men's Health Week as a special initiative to better educate men, boys, and their families about the importance of positive

health attitudes and preventative practices; and

WHEREAS: National Men's Health Week, signed into law by President William

Clinton on May 31, 1994, seeks to heighten awareness of preventable health problems and significantly improve our nation's overall health;

and

WHEREAS: This year marks the 22nd anniversary of the passage of National Men's

Health Week, recognizing the far-reaching impact of advocacy for

men's health; and

WHEREAS: In observance of Men's Health Week, citizens are encouraged to

increase awareness and promote health among men, boys, and their

families.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY, by virtue of the authority vested in me as

mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim June 13 - 19, 2016,

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MEN'S HEALTH WEEK

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to share and promote quality health options men throughout our community.in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to learn more about life insurance and its benefits.

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In witness thereof, this 19th day of May in the year two thousand and sixteen

Mayor