

Nancy McFarlane Mayor

PROCLAMATION

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;

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;

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

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

WHEREAS, Men's Health Network worked with Congress to develop National 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;

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

WHEREAS, the citizens of this state are encouraged to increase awareness of the importance of a healthy lifestyle, regular exercise, and medical check-ups;

NOW, THEREFORE, do I, Nancy McFarlane, Mayor of the City of Raleigh, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim the week of June 12-18, 2016, leading up to and including Father's Day as

Men's Health Week

in this city, and encourage all our citizens to pursue preventative health practices and early detection efforts

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Raleigh, North Carolina to be affixed this 12th day of June 2016.

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