

City of Lufkin Office of the Mayor

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 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 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: the Men's Health Week web site has been established at www.menshealthweek.org and features resources, proclamations and information about awareness events; and

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

Now, Therefore, I, Bob F. Brown, Mayor of the city of Lufkin, do herby proclaim the week ending in 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 set my hand and Cause the seal of this City to be affixed.

Mayor_