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*Executive Proclamation  
Yankton Sioux Tribe  
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**JUNE  
Men's Health Month**

Whereas, despite advances in medical technology and treatment, Native American men live significantly shorter lives and suffer higher death rates for many causes compared to their female counterparts or U.S. males overall; and

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

Whereas, men who are informed about the value of preventative health and supported in accessing it will be more likely to participate in health screening and treatment; and

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

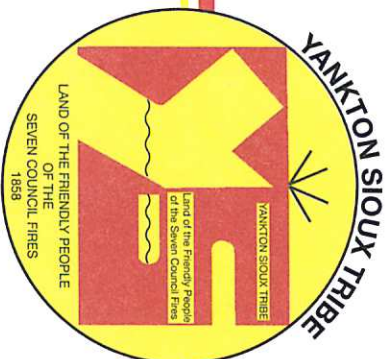
Whereas, Men's Health Network worked with Congress to develop a men's health awareness period as a special campaign to help educate men, boys, and their families about the importance of positive health attitudes and preventative health practices; and

Whereas the Men's Health Month web site has been established at [www.MensHealthMonth.org](http://www.MensHealthMonth.org) and features resources, proclamations, and information about awareness events and activities, including Wear Blue for Men's Health; and

Whereas, Yankton Sioux Tribe Men's Health Month will focus on a broad range of men's health issues, including heart disease, mental health, diabetes, prostate, testicular and colon cancer; and

Whereas, the members of tribal nations are encouraged to increase awareness of the importance of a healthy lifestyle, regular exercise, and medical check-ups.

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Now, therefore, I, Robert Flying Hawk, Chairman of the Yankton Sioux Tribe, do hereby proclaim June as Men's Health Month in our tribal nation, and encourage all our citizens to pursue preventative health practices and early detection efforts.

  
Robert Flying Hawk, Chairman  
Yankton Sioux Tribe