



Proclamation

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 that preventive health will be more likely to participate in health screenings, which can play a role in prolonging their lifespan and their role as productive family members; and*

WHEREAS, *the Men's Health Network worked with Congress to develop a national 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, *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, as well as provided resources through the national website www.MensHealthMonth.org; and*

WHEREAS, *the City and County of Denver joins with other cities across the nation in encouraging men of all ages to adopt a healthy lifestyle, get regular medical check-up and increase consistent exercise.*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL B. HANCOCK, MAYOR of the City and County of Denver, Colorado, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby officially proclaim **JUNE 2017**, to be known as:

"MEN'S HEALTH MONTH"

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the City and County of Denver to be affixed this 1st day of June, 2017

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Hancock", is written over a horizontal line.

**MICHAEL B. HANCOCK
MAYOR**

