PROCLAMATION CITY OF RICHARDSON, TEXAS

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

WHEREAS:

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

WHEREAS:

Men's Health Week 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 citizens of Richardson are encouraged to "Wear Blue for Men's Health" to increase awareness of the importance of a healthy lifestyle, regular exercise, and medical check-ups.

NOW, THEREFORE,

I, Paul Voelker, Mayor of the City of Richardson, and on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim the week leading up to and including Father's Day as:

MEN'S HEALTH WEEK

in Richardson, Texas, and encourage all our citizens to pursue preventative health practices and early detection efforts.

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





Mayor, The City of Richardson