



City of Naples

BILL BARNETT
MAYOR

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 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 can play in prolonging their lifespan and their role as productive family members will be more likely to participate in health screenings; and
- WHEREAS,** fathers who maintain a healthy lifestyle are role models for their children and have happier, healthier children; 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,** the Men's Health Month website has been established at www.MensHealthMonth.org and features resources, proclamations, and information about awareness events and activities, including wearing Blue for Men's Health; and
- WHEREAS,** Naples 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 citizens of this city are encouraged to increase awareness of the importance of a healthy lifestyle, regular exercise, and medical check-ups.

NOW, THEREFORE I, BILL BARNETT, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Naples, Florida, do hereby proclaim the month of June 2017 as

MEN'S HEALTH MONTH

in the City of Naples, and encourage all of our citizens to pursue preventative health practices and early detection efforts.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 1st day of June 2017.

BILL BARNETT, MAYOR

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