

Office of the Mayor

Phenix City,  Alabama

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 of preventative 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, 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 Wear Blue for Men's Health; and

WHEREAS, Phenix City 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 Phenix City are encouraged to increase awareness of the importance of a healthy lifestyle, regular exercise, and medical check-ups.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Eddie Lowe, Mayor of the City of Phenix City, Alabama, and on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim June as

"MEN'S HEALTH MONTH"

in the City of Phenix City 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 this city to be affixed.

Mayor Eddie N. Lowe

Date May 9, 2017

