WHEREAS, Despite advances in medical technology and research, men continue to live an average of five years less than women with 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 will be more likely to participate in health screening; 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 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, The Men's Health Week website has been established at www.MensHealthWeek.org and features resources, proclamations and information about awareness events and activities, including Wear Blue for Men's Health; and

WHEREAS, Men's Health Week will focus on a broad range of men's health issues, including heart disease, diabetes, prostate, testicular and colon cancer; and

WHEREAS, The citizens of this state are encouraged to increase awareness of the importance of a healthy lifestyle, regular exercise and medical check-ups.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, BYRON W. BROWN, Mayor of the City of Buffalo, do hereby proclaim the week of June 12-18, 2017 as Men's Health Week

in the City of Buffalo 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 of Buffalo to be affixed this 12th day of June, 2017

BYRON W. BROWN
MAYOR