

City of Charleston

JOHN J. TECKLENBURG 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 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 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,	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, Charleston's Men's Health Week and Month will focus on a broad range of men's health issues, including heart disease, mental health, diabetes, and prostate, testicular, and colon cancer; and
- WHEREAS. I encourage the citizens of this city to increase awareness of the importance of a healthy lifestyle, regular exercise, and medical check-ups and to pursue preventative health practices and early detection efforts.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John J. Tecklenburg, Mayor of the City of Charleston, do hereby proclaim June 2017 as:

MEN'S HEALTH MONTH

and June 12-18, 2017 as:

MEN'S HEALTH WEEK

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I do hereby set my hand, and cause the seal of Charleston to be affixed, this 15th day of May in year of 2017.

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