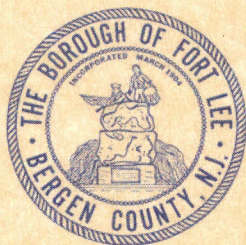


Office of the Mayor

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 of preventative health will be more likely to participate in health screening, and fathers who maintain a healthy lifestyle are role models for their children and have happier, healthier children; 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, the Men's Health Week web site 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, the *Borough of Fort Lee 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 this state are encouraged to increase awareness of the importance of a healthy lifestyle, regular exercise, and medical check-ups.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor of the Borough of Fort Lee, do hereby proclaim the week leading up to and including Father's Day, *June 12th through June 18th as Men's Health Week* in this borough, and encourages all our citizens to pursue preventative health practices and early detection efforts.

June 8, 2017

Mayor

Mark J. Sokolich