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

Whereas, fathers who maintain a healthy lifestyle are role models for their children and have happier, healthier children; and

Whereas, the United States Congress developed National Men's Health Week 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, this is an especially appropriate time to focus on a broad range of men's health issues including heart disease, diabetes, mental health as well as prostate, testicular, and colon cancer; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor Carter M. Hendricks do hereby proclaim June 2017 as

Men's Health Month

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

DATED this 6th day of June 2017.

ON TO STATE OF THE PROPERTY OF

Carter M. Hendricks, Mayor Hopkinsville, Kentucky