WHEREAS, despite advances in medical technology and research, men continue to live an average of five years less than women, and African American men have 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 screenings; and

WHEREAS, anchored by a Congressional health education program, Men’s Health Month brings awareness of preventable health problems and supports early detection and treatment of disease among men and boys; and

WHEREAS, Men’s Health Month will be celebrated across the state with screenings, health fairs, media appearances, and other health education and outreach activities; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Biloxi are encouraged increase awareness of the importance of a healthy lifestyle, regular exercise, and medical checkups;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Andrew “FoFo” Gilich, Mayor of Biloxi, do hereby proclaim the month of June, 2018 as:

“MEN’S HEALTH MONTH”

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal of the City of Biloxi, Mississippi on this 27th day of January, 2018.

Andrew "FoFo" Gilich, Mayor
City of Biloxi, Mississippi