

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 measures can play in prolonging their lifespan and their role as productive family members will be more likely to participate in health screenings; and

WHEREAS, the Men's Health Network worked with Congress to develop a national men's health awareness period as a campaign to help educate the public about the importance of positive health attitudes and preventative health practices; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, I, HARRY KIM, Mayor of the County of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim the month of June, 2018, and June 11-17, 2018 as

MEN'S HEALTH MONTH and MEN'S HEALTH WEEK

respectively, in the County of Hawai'i and urge all citizens to boost their awareness of the importance of a healthy lifestyle, regular exercise, and medical check-ups

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused The Seal of the County of Hawai'i to be affixed. Done this 11th day of June, 2018, in Hilo, Hawai'i.



Harry Kim
MAYOR