City of Charlotte, North Carolina 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 healthcare 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 preventive 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, the citizens of Charlotte are encouraged to increase awareness of the importance of a healthy lifestyle, regular exercise, and medical check-ups:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Vi Alexander Lyles, Mayor of Charlotte, do hereby proclaim June 2018 as

"MEN'S HEALTH MONTH"

in Charlotte and encourage all our citizens to pursue preventative health practices and early detection efforts.

WITNESS MY HAND and the official Seal of the City of Charlotte.



Vi Alexander Lyles

Mayor