

## Office of the Mayor City of Columbus

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## **PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS,** the Mayor of the City of Columbus, Ohio has the responsibility to recognize occasions of outstanding significance; and

**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,** the Men's Health Network worked with Congress to develop Nation 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 practice; and

**WHEREAS,** Columbus's Health Week will focus on a broad range of men's health issues, including heart disease, 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, Andrew J. Ginther, Mayor of the City of Columbus, Ohio do hereby proclaim June 11-17, 2018 as:

## Men's Health Week

in Columbus, and urge all citizens to pursue preventative health practices and early detection efforts.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the Mayor of the City of Columbus, Ohio, to be hereto affixed this 11<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2018.

Andrew J. Ginther