

## **P R O C L A M A T I O N**

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

**WHEREAS**, the residents of Salem are encouraged to increase awareness of the importance of a healthy lifestyle, regular exercise, and medical check-ups.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Chuck Bennett, Mayor of the City of Salem, do hereby proclaim June, 2018, as

### **MEN'S HEALTH MONTH**

and encourage residents to pursue preventive health practices and early detection efforts.

**DATED** this thirteenth day of April, 2018.



Chuck Bennett  
Mayor