

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, despite advances in medical technology and research, men continue to live an average of five years less than women with 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, heightening the awareness of preventable health problems and increasing early detection and treatment of disease would significantly improve our Nation's health, as well as save limited health care dollars; and

WHEREAS, the Men's Health Network (MHN) worked with Congress to develop National 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 practices; and

WHEREAS, MHN is a national non-profit organization whose mission is to reach men, boys, and their families where they live, work, play, and pray with health prevention messages and tools, screening programs, educational materials, advocacy opportunities, and patient navigation; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oak Ridge has similarly made an effort to promote a healthy lifestyle for the residents of Oak Ridge and city employees through the creation of a Wellness Fair; and

WHEREAS, Men's Health Week will focus on a broad range of men's health issues and will encourage the citizens of Oak Ridge to increase awareness of the importance of a healthy lifestyle, regular exercise, and medical check-ups.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE that June 11-17, 2018 be proclaimed

MEN'S HEALTH WEEK

and all citizens be encouraged to pursue preventative health practices and early detection efforts.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Oak Ridge to be affixed, this the 11th day of June in the year 2018.


WARREN L. GOOCH
MAYOR