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 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: Men's Health Month website has been established at MensHealthMonth.org and features

resources, proclamations, and information about awareness events and activities, including

Wear Blue for Men's Health; and

Whereas: Residents of Bellevue are encouraged to learn more about of the importance of a healthy

lifestyle

Now, therefore, I, John Chelminiak, Mayor of the City of Bellevue, Washington, and on behalf of its City

Council, do hereby proclaim the month of June 2019 as:

## **MEN'S HEALTH MONTH**

in Bellevue, and encourage all our residents to pursue preventative health practices and early detection efforts.

John Chelminiak, Mayor City of Bellevue