WHEREAS, despite advances in medical technology and research, men continue to live an average of five years less than women; 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 in Missouri 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 citizens of Missouri are encouraged to increase awareness of the importance of a healthy lifestyle, regular exercise, and medical check-ups.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Michael L. Parson, Governor of the State of Missouri, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby proclaim June 2020 to be

MENS HEALTH MONTH

in Missouri.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, this 29th day of April, 2020.

Michael L. Parson
GOVERNOR

Attest:

Jay Ashcroft
SECRETARY OF STATE