



*State of Missouri*  
*Governor's Proclamation*

**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 29<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2020.



*Michael L. Parson*  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

  
SECRETARY OF STATE