

## PROCLAMATION

- 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, COVID-19 is destroying lives across the country, with the CDC reporting that males are more likely to die from this pandemic and encouraging safe behaviors including social distancing, wearing masks, and being vaccinated to help stop the spread of COVID-19; and
- WHEREAS, Men who are educated about the value of preventative health will be more likely to participate in health screenings and 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 establish National Men's Health Week as a special campaign to help educate men and their families about the importance of positive health attitudes and preventative health practices; and
- WHEREAS, The Men's Health Month website has been established at <a href="https://www.MensHealthMonth.org">www.MensHealthMonth.org</a> and features resources and information about awareness events including Wear BLUE Day which is June 18, 2021; and
- WHEREAS, In Madison County, Tennessee, Men's Health Month will focus on a broad range of men's health issues, including heart disease, diabetes, mental health, prostate, testicular and colon cancer; and
- WHEREAS, The citizens of Madison County, Tennessee are encouraged to increase awareness of the importance of a healthy lifestyle, regular exercise, and medical check-ups.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JIMMY HARRIS, MAYOR OF MADISON COUNTY, TENNESSEE, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF JUNE, 2021 AS

## **Men's Health Month**

in Madison County, Tennessee, and encourage all our citizens to pursue preventative health practices and early detection efforts.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND CAUSED THE SEAL OF MADISON COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO BE AFFIXED THIS 17<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MAY 2021.

JIMMY HARRIS, COUNTY MAYOR MADISON COUNTY, TENNESSEE