

# 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, 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 of preventative health will be more likely to participate in health screening; and
- Whereas, fathers who maintain a healthy lifestyle are role models for their children and have happier, healthier children; and
- Whereas, the United States Congress developed 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, this is an especially appropriate time to focus on a broad range of men's health issues including heart disease, diabetes, mental health as well as prostate, testicular, and colon cancer; and
- Whereas, the citizens of the City of Hopkinsville are encouraged to increase awareness of the importance of a healthy lifestyle, regular exercise, and medical check-ups.

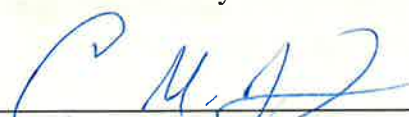
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor Carter M. Hendricks do hereby proclaim June 2017 as

## Men's Health Month

in the City of Hopkinsville and encourage all our citizens to pursue preventative health practices and early detection efforts.

DATED this 6<sup>th</sup> day of June 2017.



  
Carter M. Hendricks, Mayor  
Hopkinsville, Kentucky