

Legislation Text

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Title

Proclaiming October 2022 as National Breast Cancer Awareness Month; October 13, 2022, as Metastatic Breast Cancer Awareness Day; and October 21, 2022, as National Mammography Day. Body

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Society estimates that in 2022 about 287,850 cases of invasive breast cancer will be diagnosed in women and 2,710 cases in men, and that about 43,250 women and 530 men will die from the disease; and

WHEREAS, early detection and prompt treatment can significantly reduce suffering and deaths caused by this disease; and

WHEREAS, mammography is recognized as an important tool in detecting breast changes that may be cancer long before physical symptoms can be seen or felt; and

WHEREAS, metastatic breast cancer refers to a condition in which stage IV breast cancer cells travel from the breast, either through the bloodstream or the lymphatic system, to other parts of the body, including the bones, liver, lungs, or brain, and continue to grow in their new location; and

WHEREAS, nearly 30 percent of women diagnosed with early stage breast cancer will develop stage IV advanced or metastatic cancer; and

WHEREAS, African American women continue to be 40 percent more likely to die from the disease despite a lower incidence of it, and Latinx women are more likely to be diagnosed at a later stage and 30 percent more likely to die from breast cancer; and

WHEREAS, we celebrate the survivors, and always remember those who fought the good fight.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Common Council hereby proclaims October 2022 National Breast Cancer Awareness Month; October 13, 2022, Metastatic Breast Cancer Awareness Day; and October 21, 2022, National Mammography Day; and urges women and men in the community of all ages to obtain and utilize information about screening and mammography and to seek appropriate services.

Sources:

<https://www.cancer.org/cancer/breast-cancer> <https://www.nationalbreastcancer.org/breast-cancer-awareness-month/> <https://www.metavivor.org/mbc-prep/metastatic-breast-cancer-statistics/> <https://www.cdc.gov/vitalsigns/breastcancer/index.html> <https://www.bcrf.org/blog/hispanic-latina-breast-cancer-facts-statistics/>