

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, except for skin cancers, breast cancer is the most common type of cancer among women in the United States and is the second leading cause of cancer-related deaths among American women; and,

WHEREAS, during the Annual National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, we recognize the progress being made toward a cure for this disease, which robs so many women of their health, and in too many cases their lives; and,

WHEREAS, National Breast Cancer Awareness Month (NBCAM) educates women about the importance of early detection for breast cancer, and since their inception, mammography use has doubled, and breast cancer death rates have declined, but many women still do not utilize mammograms at regular intervals; and,

WHEREAS, The National Cancer Institute estimates 246,660 American women will be diagnosed with breast cancer this year, but millions of women are surviving the disease thanks in part to early detection and improvements in treatment; and,

WHEREAS, regular mammography screenings and monthly self-examinations remain the most effective ways of identifying breast cancer in its earliest and most treatable stages, long before physical symptoms can be seen or felt; and,

WHEREAS, to lower the chances of breast cancer we must increase awareness of its risk factors and possible causes; and,

WHEREAS, research is one of our best weapons and much of the funding for researching a cure for breast cancer is directed towards clinical trials dedicated to finding new and more effective ways of preventing, detecting, and treating breast cancer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT WE, THE MEMBERS OF THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL AND THE PARISH PRESIDENT, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM OCTOBER 2016 AS

"NATIONAL BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH IN ST. CHARLES PARISH"

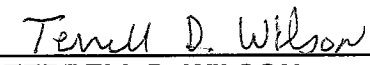
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT ALL WOMEN AND THEIR FAMILIES IN ST. CHARLES PARISH ARE URGED TO GET THE FACTS ABOUT BREAST CANCER AND MAMMOGRAPHY.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2016, ST. CHARLES PARISH WILL HAVE A "PAINT THE PARISH PINK DAY" AND URGE ALL CITIZENS TO SHOW THEIR SUPPORT FOR ALL THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN AFFECTED BY CANCER BY COMMEMORATING THIS DAY BY WEARING THE COLOR PINK.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2016, WILL BE "ST. CHARLES PARISH EMPLOYEES BREAST CANCER AWARENESS FESTIVAL FUNDRAISING DAY".


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