



PROCLAMATION
Recognizing the Month of November as "Lung Cancer Awareness Month"

WHEREAS, lung cancer is the second most common cancer and is known as the leading cause of cancer deaths worldwide. Over 218,500 Americans are affected by lung cancer each year with 142,000 succumbing to the disease; and

WHEREAS, lung cancer is difficult to detect because symptoms often are not felt until the cancer has reached an advanced stage, and yearly lung cancer screenings are recommended to those with a history of smoking or who have quit smoking within the last 15 years; and

WHEREAS, screening for lung cancer in high-risk individuals using low-dose computed tomography can lead to the earlier detection of lung cancer and save lives, reducing the mortality rate by 20% when compared to screening by chest x-ray; and

WHEREAS, funding for lung cancer research trails far behind research funding for many other cancers, and additional research is needed in early diagnosis, screening, and treatment; and

WHEREAS, Lung Cancer Awareness Month is observed annually in the month of November to heighten awareness of the disease and bring attention to the need for additional research.

NOW, THEREFORE, Mayor Honea and the Marana Town Council do hereby proclaim the month of November as "**Lung Cancer Awareness Month**" in the Town of Marana, recognize the need for lung cancer research, and invite all citizens to learn about lung cancer and early detection through lung cancer screening.

Dated this 18th day of October 2022.

ATTEST:

David L. Udall, Town Clerk



Ed Honea, Mayor