

Women's Lung Health Week Proclamation

WHEREAS, every five minutes, a woman in the U.S. is told she has lung cancer; and

WHEREAS, lung cancer is the number one cancer killer of women in the U.S., surpassing breast cancer in 1987; and

WHEREAS, the lung cancer death rate in women has more than doubled in the past 35 years; and

WHEREAS, women disproportionally experience illness or death from COPD as compared to men; and

WHEREAS, asthma is more common in women than men; and

WHEREAS, advocacy and increased awareness will result in more and better treatment for women with lung cancer, COPD, asthma and other lung diseases and will ultimately save lives; and

WHEREAS, LUNG FORCE is the new national movement led by the American Lung Association to make lung cancer and lung disease history by uniting women to stand together with a collective strength and determination to lead the fight against lung cancer and promote lung health;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BUDDY DYER, Mayor of the City of Orlando, hereby do proclaim May 11-17, 2014 as

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in the City of Orlando, and encourage all residents to learn more about the detection and treatment of lung cancer and all lung disease.