



PROCLAMATION

Declaring November 2020 Lung Cancer Awareness Month

- WHEREAS, lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer death among men and women in the United States and in Washington in 2020, accounting for more deaths than colon cancer, breast cancer and prostate cancer combined; and
- WHEREAS, the Washington State Cancer Registry reports 132 new lung cancer cases and 54 deaths because of lung cancer in Snohomish County between 2014 and 2016; and
- WHEREAS, the 5-year survival rate for localized lung cancer is about 59%, yet only about 17% of lung cancers are diagnosed at this stage; and
- WHEREAS, screening for lung cancer for high-risk individuals using low-dose computed tomography can lead to the earlier detection of lung cancer and save lives, reducing mortality by 20% when compared to screening by chest X-ray; and
- WHEREAS, funding for lung cancer research trials lags far behind funding for research of many other cancers, and additional research is needed in early diagnosis, screening and treatment for lung cancer as well as in lung cancer affecting women and lung cancer health disparities; and
- WHEREAS, women diagnosed with lung cancer are more likely to be younger and never-smokers, lung cancer incidence and mortality rates in women are rising relative to men, more women die from lung cancer than breast cancer every year, and by 2035 it is expected that more women will die from lung cancer than men; and
- WHEREAS, organizations working in the Marysville community, such as the American Lung Cancer Screening Initiative and Women’s Lung Cancer Forum, are committed to educating about lung cancer and lung cancer screening and working to increase lung cancer screening rates in Marysville.

NOW, THEREFORE I, JON NEHRING, MAYOR, on behalf of the City Council and our community, do hereby proclaim November 2020 as

LUNG CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

in the City of Marysville. We recognize the need for research in lung cancer affecting women and lung cancer health disparities, and encourage all citizens to learn about lung cancer and early detection through lung cancer screening.

Under my hand and seal this twenty-third day of November, 2020.

THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE

Jon Nehring, Mayor