

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Colorectal cancer is the second-leading cause of cancer deaths in the U.S. among men and women combined but there is currently no cure; and

WHEREAS, one in twenty-two men and one in twenty-four women will be diagnosed with colorectal cancer in their lifetimes; and

WHEREAS, there are now more than one million survivors of colorectal cancer in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the screening rate in Minnesota for the eligible population sits at 73.7%; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 2,300 Minnesotans will be diagnosed with colorectal cancer in 2019; and

WHEREAS, if the majority of people in the United States age 50 or older were screened regularly for colorectal cancer, half of all cases could be prevented entirely; and

WHEREAS, it is critical that all people, of all ages, know the signs and symptoms of the disease; and

WHEREAS, observing a Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month during the month of March provides a special opportunity to offer education on the importance of early detection and screening;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JACOB FREY, Mayor of Minneapolis, do hereby proclaim March 2019 to be:

COLORECTAL CANCER AWARENESS MONTH IN THE CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS



Mayor of Minneapolis

