

Office of the Mayor
City of Fayetteville
Proclamation



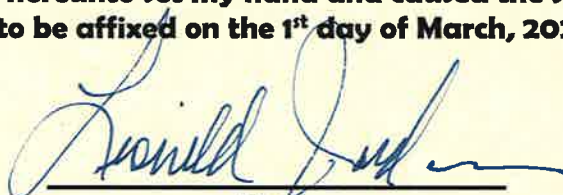
- WHEREAS:** colorectal cancer is the second leading cause of cancer deaths in the United States among men and women combined, but there is currently no cure, and
- WHEREAS:** 1 in 23 men and 1 in 25 women will be diagnosed with colorectal cancer, yet it is one of the few cancers that can be prevented with timely screening, and
- WHEREAS:** individuals born in the 1990s have double the risk of colon cancer and quadruple the risk of rectal cancer as those born in the 1950s, and
- WHEREAS:** it is estimated that approximately 145,000 people were diagnosed with colorectal cancer and approximately 53,000 people died of colorectal cancer in 2020, and
- WHEREAS:** 1 in 10 colorectal cancers are diagnosed in individuals under the age of 50. Patients under 55 years of age are 58% more likely than older patients to be diagnosed with late-stage disease (stage III or IV), and
- WHEREAS:** 1 in 3 people are not up to date with colorectal cancer screening but affordable, take-home options exist and 60% of deaths could be prevented with screening, and
- WHEREAS:** it is critical that all people, of all ages, know the signs and symptoms of the disease, and
- WHEREAS:** observing Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month during the month of March would provide a special opportunity to offer education on the importance of early detection and screening.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Lioneld Jordan, Mayor of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas do hereby proclaim March 2023 as

"Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month"

in Fayetteville, Arkansas.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas to be affixed on the 1st day of March, 2023.



Mayor

Attest:



City Clerk Treasurer

