

County of Greene

PROCLAMATION

By The Honorable County Mayor

WHEREAS, during Men's Health Month, we celebrate the achievements and contributions of men and recognize the importance of their health; and how crucial their well-being is to the success of families, communities, and society as a whole; and

WHEREAS, Men's Health Month is also a time for the public to recognize the mental and physical health needs of men and boys while encouraging fathers to be role models for their children through preventive health screenings, healthy living, and seeking needed help; and

WHEREAS, despite advances in medical technology and research, men continue to live an average of five years less than women, and the Covid-19 pandemic has had a devastating impact on men's health in the United States, dropping men's life expectancy by two years; and

WHEREAS, the growing epidemic of suicide and substance abuse requires special efforts to raise awareness of unrecognized and undiagnosed depression and mental stress in boys and men; and

WHEREAS, the Men's Health Month web site has been established at www.MensHealthMonth.org and features resources, and information about awareness events and activities, including Wear Blue for Men's Health (www.WearBlueForMensHealth.com); and

WHEREAS, the centerpiece of Men's Health Month is National Men's Health Week, a special awareness period passed by Congress and signed into law by President Bill Clinton on May 31,1994; and

NOW THEREFORE, I, Kevin C. Morrison, Mayor of Greene County, Tennessee, do hereby proclaim June 10-16, 2024 as

National Men's Health Week

in Greene County and encourage all individuals, organizations, and communities to join together in promoting men's health and wellness, and to support initiatives that aim to improve the health outcomes of men and encourage all of our citizens to pursue preventative health practices and efforts throughout the year.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of Greene County, Tennessee, to be affixed this twentieth day of May 2024.

Greene County Mayor

20 May 2024