



WHEREAS, National Breast Cancer Awareness Month is an opportunity to raise awareness about the importance of early detection of breast cancer;

WHEREAS, breast cancer remains the second leading cause of cancer deaths among women, and both men and women should be aware that age, genetics, and family history are factors that can contribute to the risk of developing this disease; and

WHEREAS, individuals may help reduce their risk of breast cancer through regular self-exams, clinical breast exams, and mammograms, which are vital since treatments are most effective when breast cancer is detected early; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) provides breast and cervical cancer screenings and diagnostics to low-income, uninsured, and underinsured women across the United States, please visit the CDC's National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program to find information on how to get screened through this program;

WHEREAS, we join the celebration of survivorship; we support those fighting breast cancer and we honor those women and men who have lost their courageous battle with breast cancer; and

WHEREAS, we acknowledge the extraordinary commitment and effort by medical professionals and researchers invested in finding a cure; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Wil Kennedy, Mayor of the City of Iowa Colony, Texas, do hereby proclaim October 2023, as **Breast Cancer Awareness Month** in the City of Iowa Colony, Texas, and encourage our citizens, businesses, educators, and volunteers to support activities and programs that will increase breast cancer awareness. Although there is currently no cure for this disease, there is HOPE!

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Iowa Colony, Texas, to be affixed this 16th day of October 2023.

Wil Kennedy, Mayor

