

CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STDs) are a major public health issue, with many who become infected unaware of their diagnosis unless accurately diagnosed through testing; and

WHEREAS, Palm Beach County ranked 6th for new HIV, Syphilis and Chlamydia diagnosis and 7th for new Gonorrhea cases for the state of Florida in 2020, posing increased public health challenges to our community; and

WHEREAS, According to the Palm Beach County Health Department, the total Sexually Transmitted Diseases incidence rates in Palm Beach County have been consistently over 8000 new cases each year since 2018; and

WHEREAS, Sexually Transmitted Diseases can be preventable through early detection, treatment and education; and

WHEREAS, Sexually Transmitted Disease Awareness Month provides an opportunity for Monarch Health Services, in partnership with The Palm Beach County Health Department to raise public awareness about the impact of Sexually Transmitted Diseases and our communities to promote the importance of preventing, testing for, and treating STDs;

APRIL 2022

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SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Lake Worth Beach to be affixed this 19th day of April, 2022.

Betty Resch, Mayor

ATTEST:

Melissa Ann Coyne, City Clerk