

City of Sunnyside, Washington



Proclamation

***W**HEREAS, countless families in the United States live with prostate cancer; and 1 in 6 males in the United States will be diagnosed with prostate cancer in his lifetime; and,*

***W**HEREAS, prostate cancer is the most commonly diagnosed non-skin cancer and the second most common cause of cancer-related deaths among males in the United States; and,*

***W**HEREAS, in 2013, the National Cancer Institute estimated that nearly 240,000 men will be diagnosed with and more than 29,000 men will die of prostate cancer, and 39 percent of those newly diagnosed cases occur in males under the age of 65; and,*

***W**HEREAS, males in the United States with one family member diagnosed with prostate cancer have 33 percent chance of being diagnosed with the disease, males with two close family members diagnosed have an 83 percent chance, and males with three family members diagnosed have a 97 percent chance; and,*

***W**HEREAS, screening by a digital rectal examination and a prostate-specific antigen blood test can detect the disease at the early stages, including the chances of survival for more than five years to nearly 100 percent, and;*

***W**HEREAS, only 33 percent of males survive more than five years if diagnosed with prostate cancer after it has metastasized; and,*

***W**HEREAS, there are no noticeable symptoms of prostate cancer while it is in the early stage, making screening critical; and,*

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WHEREAS, ongoing research promises further improvements in prostate cancer prevention, early detection, and treatment; and,

WHEREAS, educating people in the United States, including health care providers, about prostate cancer and early detection strategies is crucial to saving the lives of males and preserving and protecting families.

*NOW THEREFORE, I, James A. Restucci, Mayor of the City of Sunnyside, Washington, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the laws of the State of Washington and on behalf of the City Council do hereby proclaim the month of September 2014 as **Prostate Cancer Awareness Month** in the City of Sunnyside.*



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND CAUSED THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF SUNNYSIDE TO BE AFFIXED. DONE AT SUNNYSIDE, WASHINGTON THIS 8TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND AND FOURTEEN.

JAMES A. RESTUCCI
MAYOR OF SUNNYSIDE