PROCLAMATION
LUNG CANCER AWARENESS MONTH
NOVEMBER 2021

WHEREAS, Lung cancer was the leading cause of cancer death among men and women in the United States in 2020, accounting for more deaths than colon cancer, breast cancer, and prostate cancer combined. Over 2.2 million people worldwide will get lung cancer annually; and

WHEREAS, According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, there were 5,164 new lung cancer cases and 2,772 deaths because of lung cancer between 2014 and 2018 in Oakland County; and

WHEREAS, The five-year survival rate for localized lung cancer is approximately 59%, yet only approximately 17% of lung cancers are diagnosed at this stage; and

WHEREAS, Screening for lung cancer for high-risk individuals using low-dose computed tomography can lead to the earlier detection of lung cancer and save lives, reducing the mortality by 20% when compared to screening by chest x-ray in the National Lung Screening Trial (3) and reducing the risk of death at 10 years by 24% in men and 33% in women as demonstrated by another large randomized trial; and

WHEREAS, Funding for lung cancer research trails far behind funding for research of many other cancers, and additional research is needed in early diagnosis, screening, and treatment for lung cancer as well as in lung cancer affecting women and lung cancer health disparities; and

WHEREAS, Women diagnosed with lung cancer are more likely to be younger and non-smokers, lung cancer incidence and mortality rates in women are rising relative to men, more women die from lung cancer than breast cancer every year and by 2035, it is expected that more women will die from lung cancer than men; and

WHEREAS, Organizations working in the Troy community, such as Beaumont Hospital Troy's Cancer Center, the American Lung Cancer Screening Initiative, and the Women's Lung Cancer Forum are committed to educating about lung cancer and lung cancer screening and working to increase lung cancer screening rates in Troy;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Troy City Council do hereby proclaim **November as Lung Cancer Awareness Month in Troy**, and recognize the need for research in lung cancer affecting women and lung cancer health disparities, and encourage all citizens, to learn about lung cancer and early detection through lung cancer screening.

Presented this 8th Day of November 2021