



Proclamation

Breast Cancer Awareness Month

WHEREAS, a woman receives a diagnosis of breast cancer every two minutes, making this disease the most frequently diagnosed cancer among women in the U.S., other than skin cancers; and

WHEREAS, in North Carolina about 1,428 women and 18 men are expected to die from breast cancer in 2017; and

WHEREAS, in Wake County, it is anticipated that 935 females will be diagnosed with and 122 females will die of breast cancer in 2017; and

WHEREAS, through research and advocacy, significant advances have been made in the fight against breast cancer, including an increase in five-year relative survival rates for localized breast cancer from 74 percent to 99 percent; and

WHEREAS, organizations like Raleigh Radiology helps to increase access to screening services through their free annual mammography event; and

WHEREAS, throughout the month of October, women are encouraged to make a renewed commitment to following recommended screening guidelines and to make a mammography appointment; and

WHEREAS, throughout the month of October, organizations, health practitioners, and public officials are encouraged to promote breast health awareness and refer to appropriate resources for mammography screenings; and

WHEREAS, the Wake County community is encouraged to participate with educational activities and programs that support breast health practices; and

WHEREAS, the County of Wake recognizes the importance of working together and supporting events such as Breast Cancer Awareness Month

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wake County Commissioners, on behalf all the residents of Wake County, does hereby proclaim the month of October 2017 as Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

ADOPTED this the 2nd day of October, 2017.

Sig Hutchinson, Chairman
Wake County Board of Commissioners