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Whereas: Lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer death among men and women in the United States; and

Whereas: Ninety percent of lung cancer deaths in the U.S. are due to smoking and second-hand smoke; and

Whereas: Washington state ranks above average in lung cancer survival rates when compared with other states but below average in the percent of cases that receive treatment after diagnosis; and

Whereas: According to the American Lung Association, more than half of people with lung cancer die within one year of being diagnosed as the majority of cases are diagnosed in later stages, but the five-year survival rate for lung cancer is 56% for cases detected when the disease is still localized within the lungs; and

Whereas: Screening for individuals at high risk, even without symptoms, has the potential to dramatically improve lung cancer survival rates by finding the disease at an earlier stage when it is more likely to be curable.

Now, therefore, I, Lynne Robinson, Mayor of the City of Bellevue, Washington, and on behalf of its City Council, do hereby proclaim November 2022, as:

Lung Cancer Awareness Month

in the City of Bellevue, to increase awareness of the severity of this disease and emphasize the importance of screening among high-risk individuals.

Lynne Robinson, Mayor
City of Bellevue