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THAT THIS COUNCIL HEREBY DECLARES SEPTEMBER PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS MONTH.

WHEREAS, Prostate cancer constitutes 19% of all cancer diagnoses and 8% of all cancer deaths; and

WHEREAS, In Ohio an estimated 5,840 new cases of prostate cancer and an estimated 1,020 deaths will occur; and

WHEREAS, Men with relatives - father, brother, son - with a history of prostate cancer are twice as likely to develop the disease; and

WHEREAS, Veterans are 1.5 times more likely to get prostate cancer; and

WHEREAS, Prostate cancer is most commonly diagnosed cancer in American Men and the third leading cause of cancer death behind lung and colon cancer; and

WHEREAS, this year approximately 161,360 men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer in the United States alone. Every year, that's one man every 3.3 minutes and roughly 26,730 die this year from the disease - which is one man every 20 minutes; and

WHEREAS, 1 in 8 men are diagnosed with prostate cancer. African American men are at the highest risk for the disease with a rate of 1 in 6 men. African American men are 2.3 times more likely to die from the disease; and

WHEREAS, Education regarding prostate cancer and early detection strategies are critical to saving lives, preserving, and protecting our families; and

WHEREAS, all men are at risk for prostate cancer and we encourage the citizens of Gahanna to increase the importance of prostate screenings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA, COUNTY OF FRANKLIN, STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That this Council hereby declares September Prostate Cancer Awareness Month.

Section 2. That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon passage by this Council.