Proclamation

GO PINK FOR THE CURE DAY
October 7, 2016

WHEREAS, The Pink Ribbon reminds us that breast cancer is the most common cause of cancer and the second most common cause of cancer deaths in the United States. However, when breast cancer is detected in its earliest stages, there can be a 95 percent survival rate; and

WHEREAS, According to the Arkansas Affiliate of Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, one in three counties in Arkansas does not have a fixed mammography facility and this creates a barrier for many women to easily access mammography, thereby possibly increasing their mortality rate; and

WHEREAS, It is estimated that in the United States, 206,129 women and 3,268 men will be diagnosed with breast cancer during 2016 and approximately 47,541 women and 826 will die of the disease. In Arkansas this year, an estimated 2,984 new cases will be detected and will result in 725 deaths; and

WHEREAS, October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and the Arkansas Affiliate of Susan G. Komen is designating October 7th as Go Pink for the Cure Day to bring about awareness of the importance of mammography and to renew its commitment to remove obstacles that prevent women from seeking mammograms;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that I, Art Brooke, Mayor of the City of Ward, do hereby proclaim October 7, 2016 as GO PINK FOR THE CURE DAY in the City of Ward Arkansas and urge all employees and Ward residents to join me in helping to promote efforts for the prevention and treatment of this deadly disease.

Dated: September 13, 2016

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