

PROCLAMATION

Breast Cancer Awareness Month

October 2022

WHEREAS, October is nationally recognized as Breast Cancer Awareness Month, 31 days to raise awareness using pink ribbon imagery; to educate about breast health, services, and programs available; to recognize survivors, their supporters and loved ones; and to honor the lives of those who have lost their battle to this disease; and,

WHEREAS, in the Pacific Northwest, 1 in 7 women are affected by breast cancer while the national average is 1 in 8 women; breast cancer also affects men; and breast cancer is a leading cause of death for women in the United States; and,

WHEREAS, genetics, environment, recurrence and lifestyle choices have resulted in more aggressive forms as well as late-stage diagnoses of breast cancer; and,

WHEREAS, Pink Lemonade Project, a Washington-based nonprofit organization, is on a mission to educate, empower, and support those affected by breast cancer with vital programs and services, addressing disparities among underserved who are disproportionately affected by this disease; and,

WHEREAS, Breast Cancer Awareness Month is an opportunity to raise awareness and unite the community by educating the importance of early detection, screening, and to support women and men during and after treatment to increase survivorship and quality of life;

NOW THEREFORE, the Washougal City Council does hereby proclaim October as:

~ **Breast Cancer Awareness Month** ~

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Washougal to be affixed this **26th** day of **September 2022**.



David Stuebe, Mayor Pro Tem
City of Washougal, Clark County, Washington