



**PROCLAMATION**  
**Recognizing Lung Cancer Awareness Month**

**WHEREAS**, lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer death among men and women in the United States and Arizona, accounting for more deaths than colon cancer, breast cancer, and prostate cancer combined; and

**WHEREAS**, screening for lung cancer for high-risk individuals using low-dose computed tomography can lead to the earlier detection of lung cancer and save lives, reducing the mortality by 20% when compared to screening by chest x-ray in the National Lung Screening Trial and reducing the risk of death at 10 years by 24% in men and 33% in women as demonstrated by a large randomized trial; and

**WHEREAS**, funding for lung cancer research trails far behind funding for research of many other cancers, and additional research is needed in early diagnosis, screening, and treatment for lung cancer as well as in lung cancer affecting women and lung cancer health disparities; and


**WHEREAS**, the stigma surrounding lung cancer creates barriers to early diagnosis, treatment, and funding for research, has a detrimental impact on the quality of life of people diagnosed with lung cancer, and hinders awareness of and research into lung cancer risk factors other than smoking; and

**WHEREAS**, organizations working in Arizona, such as the American Lung Cancer Screening Initiative and Women’s Lung Cancer Forum, are committed to educating about lung cancer and lung cancer screening and working to increase lung cancer screening rates in Arizona.

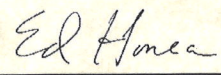
**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Ed Honea, Mayor of the Town of Marana, do hereby proclaim November 2024 as Lung Cancer Awareness Month in Marana, Arizona and recognize the need for research in lung cancer affecting women and lung cancer health disparities, and encourage all citizens to learn about lung cancer and early detection through lung cancer screening.

Dated this 1st day of November, 2024.

**ATTEST:**

  
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David L. Udall, Town Clerk



  
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Ed Honea, Mayor