

# IN RECOGNITION OF CERVICAL CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

**JANUARY 2024**

- WHEREAS,** JANUARY IS RECOGNIZED NATIONALLY AS CERVICAL CANCER AWARENESS MONTH, AN OBSERVANCE THAT PROMOTES EDUCATION ABOUT CERVICAL CANCER CAUSES, SCREENINGS AND TREATMENTS; AND
- WHEREAS,** CERVICAL CANCER MOST OFTEN AFFECTS WOMEN IN THE PRIME OF LIFE. IT IS A DISEASE THAT STRIKES OVER 14,100 AMERICAN WOMEN EACH YEAR. IN FLORIDA, AN ESTIMATED 1,030 WOMEN WERE DIAGNOSED WITH INVASIVE CERVICAL CANCER, AND ALMOST 300 WOMEN DIE EACH YEAR IN FLORIDA OF CERVICAL CANCER; AND
- WHEREAS,** IF A MOTHER OR SISTER HAS CERVICAL CANCER, A WOMAN'S CHANCES OF DEVELOPING THE DISEASE INCREASES BY TWO TO THREE TIMES. REGULAR CERVICAL CANCER SCREENING TESTS ARE EFFECTIVE IN DETECTING THE DISEASE EARLY WHEN IT CAN BE EFFECTIVELY TREATED; AND
- WHEREAS,** CERVICAL CANCER DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACTS VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES LACKING ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE AND PROVEN LIFE-SAVING TOOLS. CERVICAL CANCER VACCINES ARE AVAILABLE THAT - TOGETHER WITH SCREENING TESTS - PROVIDE A FORMIDABLE AND EFFECTIVE MEANS OF PREVENTING THIS DISEASE; AND
- WHEREAS,** INCREASING AWARENESS AMONG PATIENTS AND HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS ALIKE REGARDING THE BEST USE OF THESE PREVENTION TOOLS IS A KEY COMPONENT IS SAFE-GUARDING WOMEN'S HEALTH; AND
- WHEREAS,** THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD ENCOURAGES ALL OUR CITIZENS TO RECOGNIZE THAT CERVICAL CANCER IS PREVENTABLE, AND TO ENCOURAGE AND SUPPORT THE WOMEN IN OUR LIVES BY TAKING CHARGE OF THEIR HEALTH AND AVAILING THEMSELVES OF TESTS AND VACCINES THAT HAVE PROVEN SO EFFECTIVE IN PREVENTING CERVICAL CANCER. WE HAVE THE MEANS TO PREVENT THIS DISEASE; IT IS INCUMBENT ON ALL OF US TO ENSURE WE HAVE THE WILL TO DO SO; NOW
- THEREFORE,** JOSH LEVY, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA, AND THE HOLLYWOOD CITY COMMISSION, HEREBY PROCLAIM JANUARY 2024, AS:

## **CERVICAL CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**

SIGNED THIS 17<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF  
JANUARY 2024, AT  
HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA

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MAYOR JOSH LEVY  
VICE MAYOR LINDA HILL ANDERSON  
COMMISSIONER CARYL S. SHUHAM  
COMMISSIONER TRACI L. CALLARI  
COMMISSIONER ADAM GRUBER  
COMMISSIONER KEVIN D. BIEDERMAN  
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