

Proclamation

City of Owatonna

WHEREAS colorectal cancer is the second-leading cause of cancer deaths in the U.S. among men and women combined but there is currently no cure;

WHEREAS one in twenty-two men and one in twenty-four women will be diagnosed with colorectal cancer in their lifetimes;

WHEREAS there are now more than one million survivors of colorectal cancer in the United States;

WHEREAS approximately 1 in 4 Minnesotans 50 to 75 years of age and older are not up to date with colorectal cancer screening;

WHEREAS an estimated 2,300 Minnesotans will be diagnosed with colorectal cancer and 790 Minnesotans may die from this disease in 2019;

WHEREAS if the majority of people in the United States age 50 or older were screened regularly for colorectal cancer, half of all cases could be prevented entirely;

WHEREAS it is critical that all people, of all ages, know the signs and symptoms of the disease; and;

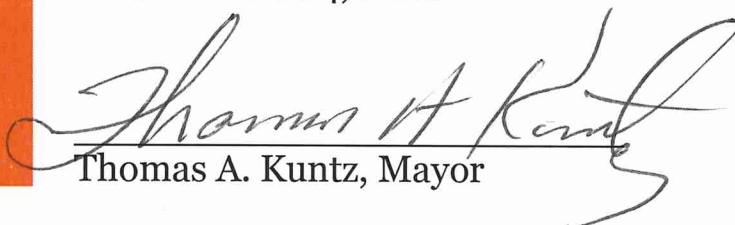
WHEREAS observing a Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month during the month of March would provide a special opportunity to offer education on the importance of early detection and screening.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Thomas A. Kuntz, Mayor of the City of Owatonna, do hereby proclaim March 2020 as:

COLORECTAL CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

to call this to the attention of all of our citizens.

Dated: March 4, 2020


Thomas A. Kuntz, Mayor

