



CITY OF WARD

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CHARLES GASTINEAU
MAYOR

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Proclamation

WHEREAS, The Pink Ribbon reminds us that breast cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer in women and the second most common cause of cancer deaths in women in the United States. When breast cancer is detected in the early stage, there is a 99% and 85% five-year survival rate for localized and regional female breast cancer, respectively. However, when breast cancer is detected when it has already spread to distant parts of the body, the five-year survival is 27%; and

WHEREAS, Thirty of the seventy-five counties in Arkansas do not have a fixed mammography facilities, and this creates a barrier for many women to easily access mammography, thereby possibly increasing their mortality rate; and

WHEREAS, Breast cancer knows no boundaries, be it age, gender, socio-economic status, or geographical location. Despite tremendous progress by research breakthroughs for breast cancer, more than 42,000 people still die of breast cancer every year in the United States; and

WHEREAS, It is estimated that in the United States, 268,000 women and 2,670 men will be diagnosed with breast cancer during 2019, and approximately 41,760 women and 500 men will die of the disease. In Arkansas this year, an estimated 2,210 new cases in females will be detected and 410 breast cancer deaths will occur; and

WHEREAS, October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and October 4th is designated as Go Pink for the Cure Day to bring awareness of the importance of mammography and to renew it commitment to removing obstacles that prevent women from seeking mammograms;

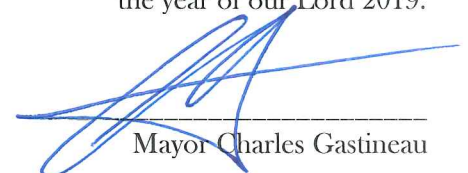
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Charles Gastineau, Mayor of the City of Ward, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the laws of the State of Arkansas, do hereby proclaim October 4, 2019 as

GO PINK FOR THE CURE DAY

across the city and I urge all of my fellow citizens to join me in helping to promote efforts for the prevention and treatment of this deadly disease and wear pink on October 4, 2019 to show your support for this noble cause.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused The Great Seal of the City of Ward, Arkansas to be affixed this 29th day of July, in the year of our Lord 2019.





Mayor Charles Gastineau