

PROCLAMATION

To All Whom These Presents Come – Greetings:

Whereas: The Pink Ribbon reminds us that breast cancer is the most common cause of cancer and the second most cause of cancer deaths in the United States. However, when breast cancer is detected in its earliest stages, there can be a 95% 5 year survival rate; and

Whereas: Thirty counties in Arkansas do not have a fixed mammography facility, and this creates a barrier for many women to easily access mammography, thereby possibly increasing their mortality rate; and

Whereas: It is estimated that in the United States, 266,120 women and 2,550 men will be diagnosed with breast cancer during 2018, and approximately 40,920 women and 480 men will die of the disease. In Arkansas this year, an estimated 2,160 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 5 is designated as Go Pink for the Cure Day to bring awareness of the importance of mammography and to renew its commitment to removing obstacles that prevent women from seeking mammograms;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mike Gipson, Mayor of The City of Mansfield, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the laws of the State of Arkansas, do hereby proclaim October 5, 2018 as

GO PINK FOR THE CURE DAY

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Mansfield to be affixed this 21<sup>ST</sup> day of August, the year of our Lord 2018.



Mike Gipson, Mayor

