

RESOLUTION NO. 13-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, PROCLAIMING JUNE AS "NOT 1 FORGOTTEN MEN'S CANCER AWARENESS MONTH".

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WHEREAS, according to the Center for Disease Control (CDC), cancer claimed the lives of nearly 300,000 men in America; and

WHEREAS, for every 100,000 men of all races and Hispanics, black men are rated the highest at (593.7), white men at (513.0), Hispanics at (395.2), Asian/Pacific Islander (309.6) and American Indian/Alaska Native at (284.8) men; and

WHEREAS, statistics show that a higher percentage of men will die from cancer than women because they are typically diagnosed at a later stage; and

WHEREAS, in response to this sometimes deadly diagnosis, "Not 1 Forgotten" was created with no limitation as a grassroots effort, that focuses on awareness as a link to encourage men to get tested, support cancer research and to help offset the cost of mounting bills for those with no insurance; and

WHEREAS, recognizing the power of symbols, Not 1 Forgotten's founder, Joel Gresham, designed the blue and black necktie as a reminder of men's cancer awareness as a national symbol of togetherness. The blue signifies hope and faith, and the black is for healing; and

WHEREAS, promoting awareness and education about men's cancer is crucial to improving the health and well-being of men throughout the State of Florida and the nation, facilitating earlier detection, improving the prognoses of men who have been diagnosed with the disease, and ultimately preventing further loss of life.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. That the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale hereby proclaims June as "NOT 1 FORGOTTEN MEN'S CANCER AWARENESS MONTH".

SECTION 2. That the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale hereby recognizes the importance of education and awareness in combating the disease, and remembers those men who have lost, or are fighting for, their lives.

SECTION 3. That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon final passage.

ADOPTED this the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2013.

ATTEST:

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Mayor  
JOHN P. "JACK" SEILER

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City Clerk  
JONDA K. JOSEPH

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