

Proclamation

Office of the Mayor

Breast Cancer Awareness Month

WHEREAS, Breast Cancer Awareness Month is observed each October as a national campaign dedicated to increasing awareness of breast cancer, promoting early detection, supporting those affected by the disease, and encouraging continued research into its causes, prevention, diagnosis, and treatment; and

WHEREAS, breast cancer is the most diagnosed cancer among women in the United States, and approximately one in eight women will develop invasive breast cancer during her lifetime. Although breast cancer primarily affects women, it also affects men, with fewer than one percent of breast cancers occurring in men; and

WHEREAS, according to the American Cancer Society, an estimated 321,910 women in the United States will be diagnosed with invasive breast cancer in 2026, with an additional 60,730 cases of ductal carcinoma in situ (DCIS) expected. Tragically, approximately 42,140 women are expected to die from breast cancer this year; and

WHEREAS, breast cancer also affects men, with approximately 2,670 men expected to be diagnosed with invasive breast cancer and an estimated 530 men expected to lose their lives to the disease in 2026; and

WHEREAS, significant advances in research, early detection, screening, and treatment have contributed to improved outcomes for many individuals diagnosed with breast cancer, while continued research and access to timely, quality care remains essential to reducing the impact of this disease; and

WHEREAS, Breast Cancer Awareness Month provides an opportunity for individuals and communities to emphasize the importance of breast health, appropriate screening and early detection, and to encourage residents to speak with their healthcare providers about recommended screenings and personal risk factors; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sunrise honors breast cancer survivors and those currently facing the disease, recognizes the families, friends, caregivers, healthcare professionals, researchers, and advocates who provide support and advance the fight against breast cancer, and remembers with compassion those whose lives have been lost; and

WHEREAS, more than 4.3 million women in the United States are living with a history of breast cancer, representing the strength and resilience of survivors and underscoring the continued importance of awareness, research, treatment, survivorship support, and access to care; and

WHEREAS, during the month of October, we encourage the residents of the City of Sunrise to wear pink, participate in breast cancer awareness activities and community events, support organizations dedicated to breast cancer research and patient services, and share information that may help promote early detection and better health outcomes.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael J. Ryan, Mayor of The City of Sunrise, Florida together with the City Commissioners hereby proclaim the Month of October 2026 as Breast Cancer Awareness Month in the City of Sunrise and encourage all residents to join us in raising awareness, supporting those affected by breast cancer, and advancing the continued effort to prevent and ultimately overcome this disease.

Witness My Hand and Official Seal of
The City of Sunrise, Florida

Michael J. Ryan, Mayor

