

PROCLAMATION
DESIGNATING FEBRUARY AS
“ALL IN RED MONTH”
IN THE TOWN OF SMITHFIELD

Whereas, the well-being of our community is of paramount importance and maintaining excellent health among our citizens is a top priority, February marks the one month, county-wide heart health awareness campaign entitled “**ALL IN RED**”, presented by Johnston Health and Aramark, and organized by the Johnston Health Foundation; and

Whereas, In the United States, North Carolina, and Johnston County heart disease is the leading cause of death among men and women;

Whereas, Heart Disease and Stroke ranks among the top five health priorities in Johnston County; per the 2019 Johnston County Community Health Needs Assessment Implementation Plan; and

Whereas, per the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), about 80% of deaths from premature heart disease and stroke could be prevented by changes in physical activity, diet, education and management of common medical conditions, and;

Whereas, **ALL IN RED** is an opportunity to increase heart health awareness, while addressing the growing needs of local heart patients; and

Whereas, the **ALL IN RED** campaign invites all Johnston County residents, business owners and visitors to participate in this initiative by **wearing RED on February 4, 2022**, National Wear Red Day, and/or **running a RED promo or fundraiser in February**; and

Whereas, the financial challenges of a heart patient are enormous; all funds raised within this campaign period will benefit local heart patients through the Johnston Health Foundation’s Heart Fund; and

Whereas, on this day, we recognize heart disease and stroke survivors, those battling the disease, their families who are their source of love and encouragement, and applaud the efforts of our medical professionals who provide quality care; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the Honorable Mayor, M. Andy Moore and the Smithfield Town Council does hereby proclaim February 2022 as “**ALL IN RED MONTH**” and encourages businesses, industries and citizens in the community to support and participate in this event.

Duly proclaimed this 1st day of February 2022, while in regular session.




M. Andy Moore, Mayor