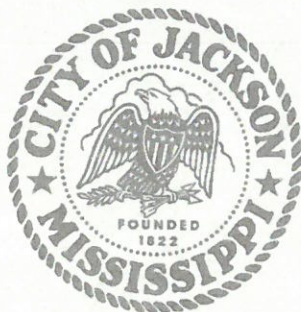


Proclamation



PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING MARCH 24, 2018 AS HEALTH AND WELLNESS DAY IN THE CITY OF JACKSON

WHEREAS, the Tigers for Life Foundation is a group of determined and eager alumni of Jackson State University who share a common vision to spark awareness about obesity and chronic diseases that plague our community. The foundation's mission is to promote a healthier lifestyle and encourage citizens of our entire state to become more active; and

WHEREAS, Statistics provided by the United Health Foundation show that Mississippi ranks 50th out of 50 states for overall behavioral, clinical care, community and environment, and policy in health; and

WHEREAS, Records from the Mississippi State Department of Health show that cancer deaths increased 15 percent from 197.2 to 225.8 per 100,000 population while obesity has risen to a national ranking of 49; and

WHEREAS, Everyone can strive to decrease deaths and prolong lives through the advocacy and action of informing and arming communities with preventive knowledge and care; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that I, Chokwe Antar Lumumba, Mayor of the City of Jackson, Mississippi do hereby proclaim Saturday, March 24, 2018 as

HEALTH AND WELLNESS DAY

in the City of Jackson. I proudly honor Jackson State University's Tigers for Life Foundation and strongly urge all citizens to acknowledge the occasion by becoming more physically active and making healthier food choices. We shall reflect on the vital steps of action each of us can take to promote a healthier quality of life in our communities.

Given under my hand and seal of the City of Jackson, Mississippi,

the 22nd day of February, 2018


Chokwe A. Lumumba, Mayor