



Proclamation

WHEREAS, colorectal cancer is the second-leading cause of cancer deaths in the United States among men and women combined,

WHEREAS, colorectal cancer is one of the few cancers that can be prevented with timely screening, but 1 in 3 eligible Americans are not up to date on screening;

WHEREAS colorectal cancer is estimated to be the number one cancer killer for those ages 20-49 by 2030

WHEREAS, Black Americans are 20% more likely to be diagnosed with colorectal cancer and about 40% more likely to die from the disease than other groups;

WHEREAS, colorectal cancer is expected to account for 11% of cancer deaths among Hispanic men and 9% of cancer deaths for Hispanic women

WHEREAS, screening colonoscopy rates have still not returned to pre-COVID-19 levels;

WHEREAS, the national goal established by the National Colorectal Cancer Roundtable is to strive to increase timely colorectal cancer screening rates to 80 percent in every community for all Americans eligible for screening;

WHEREAS, observing Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month during the month of March would provide a special opportunity to increase awareness and offer education on the importance of early detection and screening of colorectal cancer.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Jonathan Groth, Mayor of Biscayne Park, Florida, do hereby proclaim March 2023 as:

COLORECTAL CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Florida, in the City of Biscayne Park, this 7th day of March, 2023.

Dated this 7th day of March 2023
VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA

Attest:

Jonathan E. Groth, Mayor

Shantay J. Bingham, Village Clerk