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## PROCLAMATION

*WHEREAS*, our community and communities around the world have been impacted by Esophageal cancer; and

*WHEREAS*, Esophageal cancer is one of the fastest growing cancer diagnoses in our country, due in part to challenges in raising awareness and providing adequate education and resources to help members of our community recognize the early signs and symptoms and seek the help they need; and

*WHEREAS*, Esophageal cancer claims more American lives annually than Melanoma skin cancer or cervical cancer; and

*WHEREAS*, only one in five patients diagnosed with Esophageal cancer will survive past five years, because it is often caught in the late stages; and

*WHEREAS*, organizations and health care professionals are dedicated to finding ways to increase education, raise awareness and help connect people to resources and information related to Esophageal cancer, so citizens are able to seek and receive help as soon as it is needed; and

*WHEREAS*, early detection leads to increased curative rates and lives saved; and

*WHEREAS*, organizations and health care professionals are working collaboratively to screen and refer patients early in the cancer cycle and intervene sooner, with a mission to save lives; and

*WHEREAS*, raising awareness and providing education about Esophageal cancer involves an incessant approach and a commitment to the study of Esophageal cancer and finding a cure.

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT I, Timothy M. Hanna*, Mayor of the City of Appleton, Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim the month of **April 2020**, as

### *Esophageal Cancer Awareness Month*

in Appleton and encourage all citizens to increase awareness of Esophageal cancer, its often subtle symptoms, and the value in seeking treatment, so that health care professionals may deliver better education to our community and strengthen our health and wellness position.



Signed and sealed this 9<sup>th</sup> day of April 2020.

  
TIMOTHY M. HANNA  
MAYOR OF APPLETON

