

WHEREAS, October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month, which is an annual campaign to increase awareness of the disease; and

WHEREAS, while most people are aware of breast cancer, many forget to take the steps to have a plan to detect the disease in its early stages; and

WHEREAS, one in eight women will be diagnosed with breast cancer in their lifetime; and

WHEREAS, breast cancer is the most common cancer among women worldwide and the second-most common cancer overall; and

WHEREAS, each year it is estimated that over 230,000 women in the United States will be diagnosed with breast cancer and more than 40,000 will die; and

WHEREAS, although breast cancer in men is rare, each year an estimated 2,350 men will be diagnosed with breast cancer and approximately 440 will die; and

WHEREAS, if breast cancer is found early, there are more treatment options and a greater chance of survival; and

WHEREAS, although there is no cure for breast cancer, treatment usually involves some type of surgery and is often combined with radiation therapy, chemotherapy, hormone therapy and/or targeted therapy; and

WHEREAS, over the past 20 years, progress in treatment and early detection has led to improved survival for people of all ages and races, and with all stages of breast cancer; there are more than three million breast cancer survivors in the United States today.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Joanne Simone, Mayor of the City of Margate, do hereby proclaim October 2015, as

## BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

in the City of Margate.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the City of Margate to be affixed this 7<sup>th</sup> day of October 2015.

JOANNE SIMONE, MAYOR

Vice Mayor Tommy Ruzzano, Commissioner Joyce W. Bryan, Commissioner Lesa Peerman, Commissioner Frank B. Talerico