

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, besides skin cancer, breast cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer among American women; in 2017, it's estimated that about 30% of newly diagnosed cancers in women will be breast cancers; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 252,710 new cases of invasive breast cancer are expected to be diagnosed in women in the United States, along with 63,410 new cases of non-invasive breast cancer; and

WHEREAS, about 2,470 new cases of invasive breast cancer are expected to be diagnosed in men in 2017. A man's lifetime risk of breast cancer is about 1 in 1,000; 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, Tommy Ruzzano, Mayor of the City of Margate, do hereby proclaim October 2017, 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 18th day of October 2017.

TOMME DUZZANO, MAYOR