

# Proclamation

**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; and

**WHEREAS**, In the United States, more than 268,000 women and approximately 2,600 men are diagnosed with breast cancer annually. While deaths from breast cancer have declined over time, it remains the second most common form of cancer and the second leading cause of cancer death overall among American women, with a staggering 41,000 lives lost each year; 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, Arlene R. Schwartz, Mayor of the City of Margate, do hereby proclaim October 2021, as

## **BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand  
and caused the official seal of the City of Margate to be  
affixed this 6th day of October 2021.

  
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**ARLENE R. SCHWARTZ, MAYOR**

Vice Mayor Antonio V. Arserio, Commissioner Anthony N. Caggiano, Commissioner Tommy Ruzzano, Commissioner Joanne Simone