



**CITY OF GARFIELD
PROCLAMATION**

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTATIONS COME - GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: The Pink Ribbon reminds us that breast cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer in women and the second most common cause of cancer deaths in women in the United States. When breast cancer is detected in the early stage, there is a 99% survival rate for localized and regional female breast cancer, respectively. Furthermore; when breast cancer is detected in the early stage there is also an 85% five-year survival rate for localized and regional female breast cancer, respectively. However, when breast cancer is detected spreading to distant parts of the body, the five-year survival rate is only 27%; and,

WHEREAS: Thirty of the seventy-five counties in Arkansas do not have fixed mammography facilities, and this creates a barrier for many women to easily access mammography, thereby possibly increasing their mortality rate; and,

WHEREAS: Breast cancer knows no boundaries, be it age, gender, socio-economic status, or geographical location. Despite tremendous progress by research breakthroughs for breast cancer, more than 42,000 people still die of breast cancer every year in the United States; and,

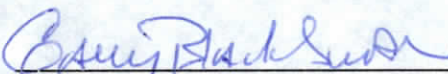
WHEREAS: It is estimated that in the United States, 268,600 women and 2,670 men will be diagnosed with breast cancer during 2019, and approximately 41,760 women and 500 men will die of the disease. In Arkansas this year, an estimated 2,210 new cases in females will be detected, and 410 breast cancer deaths will occur; and,

WHEREAS: October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and October 4th is designated as Go Pink for the Cure Day to bring awareness of the importance of mammography and to renew its commitment to removing obstacles that prevent women from seeking mammograms;

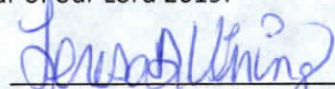
NOW, THEREFORE, I, GARY BLACKBURN, Mayor of the City of Garfield, by the virtue of authority vested in me, by the City of Garfield; do hereby proclaim October 4, 2019, as

GO PINK FOR THE CURE DAY

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the City Seal of the City of Garfield, to be affixed this 10th day of September, in the year of our Lord 2019.



Gary Blackburn, Mayor



Teresa Vining, Recorder-Treasurer