

# City of Sanibel

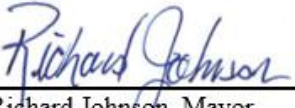
## PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS:** October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month and is promoted annually to increase awareness of the disease; and
- WHEREAS:** The month of October is the City of Sanibel's annual initiative encouraging all residents to take steps to educate themselves on the preventive measures and in support of our residents currently fighting the disease and in support of their caregivers; and
- WHEREAS:** Breast Cancer is the most common cancer among women in the United States. Approximately 13% (1 in 8) of U.S. women will develop invasive breast cancer over the course of her lifetime; and
- WHEREAS:** In 2023, an estimated 297,790 new cases of invasive breast cancer are expected to be diagnosed in women in the US, along with 55,720 new cases of non-invasive breast cancer; and
- WHEREAS:** In 2023, an estimated 2,800 new cases of invasive breast cancer are expected to be diagnosed in men in the US. A man's lifetime risk of breast cancer is about 1 in 833; and
- WHEREAS:** When breast cancer is detected early, and is in the localized stage, the 5-year relative survival rate is 100%; and
- WHEREAS:** While most people are aware of breast cancer, many forget to take the necessary steps to have a plan to detect the disease in its early stages and encourage others to do the same; and
- WHEREAS:** The Sanibel Recreation Center will offer a variety of health screenings, educational sessions, fitness classes and events throughout the month of October to promote Breast Cancer awareness and prevention; and
- WHEREAS:** The San Cap Pink Project, Inc "Let's Pink Out!" Celebration for Life Picnic Lunch, founded by breast cancer survivor Mary Bondurant to help fund mammograms and cancer related needs for the uninsured, and co-sponsored by the Sanibel Fire Rescue District, will be held at 2351 Palm Ridge Road, on Thursday, October 26, 2023 from 11:30 to 1:30.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** We, the City Council of the City of Sanibel, Lee County Florida, on behalf of the citizens of Sanibel, do hereby declare the month of October as National Breast Cancer Awareness Month and encourage all women and men to take the steps necessary to detect the disease in its early stages.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** We have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the City of Sanibel to be affixed hereto.

This 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October 2023

  
Richard Johnson, Mayor

  
Mike Miller, Vice Mayor

  
Dr. Scott Crater, Councilmember

  
John Henshaw, Councilmember

  
Holly D. Smith, Councilmember