

Proclamation

WHEREAS, October 2006 is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month; and

WHEREAS, October 20, 2006 is National Mammography Day; and

WHEREAS, breast cancer is the most common cancer among women, except for skin cancer; and

WHEREAS, breast cancer is the second leading cause of cancer death in women, after lung cancer; and

WHEREAS, the chance of developing invasive breast cancer at some time in a woman's life is about 1 in 8; and

WHEREAS, African American women are more likely to die from breast cancer than women of all other races; and

WHEREAS, almost 212,920 new cases of female breast cancer will be diagnosed in 2006 and about 40,970 will die from the disease; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 1,720 cases of male breast cancer will be diagnosed in 2006 and about 460 men will die of the disease; and

WHEREAS, death rates from breast cancer have been declining, and this change is believed to be the result of earlier detection and improved treatment; and

WHEREAS, mammography, an "x-ray" of the breast, is recognized as the single most effective method of detecting breast changes that may be cancer long before physical symptoms can be seen or felt.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Davie hereby proclaim the month of October, 2006 as;

**NATIONAL BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH
And October 20, 2006 as
NATIONAL MAMMOGRAPHY DAY**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 20th day of September, 2006.

Tom Truex, Mayor

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