

# City of Boston IN

## CITY COUNCIL

COUNCILLORS CHARLES C. YANCEY AND CHUCK TURNER

### ALL ABOUT MEN HEALTH SCREENING AND SYMPOSIUM

- WHEREAS: African-American men are more likely to develop symptoms of benign prostatic hyperplasia earlier than white men. African-American men also have the highest rate of prostate cancer in the world—they are at least 50 percent more likely than with men to develop the disease, and twice as likely to die from it; and
- WHEREAS: African-American men are about 30 percent more likely than whites to suffer a stroke and 40 percent more likely to die from it. Among men age 40 to 59, 50 percent of African-Americans and 30 percent of whites have high blood pressure; and
- WHEREAS: Over 18 million Americans have diabetes. African-Americans are 60 percent more likely than whites to develop diabetes. Hispanics, Asians, Pacific Islanders, and American Indians also have elevated risks; and
- WHEREAS: African-American men are more likely to develop cancer than men from any other racial or ethnic group. They also have a far higher death rate from most cancers, including oral and lung cancer; and
- WHEREAS: The First Annual *All About Men Health Screening and Symposium* provides screening and information on a wide range of men's health issues from oral health, high blood pressure, cardiac disease, and diabetes to prostate cancer, erectile dysfunction, and incontinence; and
- WHEREAS: Participating organizations include Caritas Christi Health Care and the Caritas Physician Network, Celticare Insurance, National Kidney Foundation, American Heart Association, American Cancer Society, and the Harvard School of Dental Medicine and well as individual physicians; and
- WHEREAS: Supporting organizations include Pfizer, AMS, Medtronic, Abbott Labs, Watson Pharmaceuticals, Carney Hospital in Dorchester, and St. Elizabeth's Medical Center; Be It Therefore
- RESOLVED: That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, congratulates individuals and organizations participating in The First Annual *All About Men Health Screening and Symposium*; and Be It Further
- RESOLVED: That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, proclaims June 17, 2010 as *All About Men Health Screening and Symposium Day* in the City of Boston.

In City Council

ADOPTED

JUN 16 2010

Rosaria Salerno  
CITY CLERK  
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By: [Signature]  
President of the City Council

Attest: [Signature]  
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: [Signature]

Date: June 16, 2010