From: Debbie Johnstone
To: Clerk"s Office

Subject: FW: Lung Cancer Awareness Month Proclamation

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To: White Rock Council <<u>whiterockcouncil@whiterockcity.ca</u>>

Subject: Lung Cancer Awareness Month Proclamation

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Hello,

My name is Maya Sharma, and I am a member of the Canadian Lung Cancer Screening Initiative (CLCSI), the sister organization of the American Lung Cancer Screening Initiative (ALCSI; www.alcsi.org). Together, we are a team of over 200 doctors and students working to raise awareness for lung cancer and lung cancer screening with the hopes of helping high-risk individuals get screened for lung cancer.

We would like to request a proclamation to declare November 2022 as Lung Cancer Awareness Month to raise awareness for lung cancer and lung cancer screening. Lung cancer is the deadliest cancer in Canada and the world, but it has been shown that lung cancer screening significantly reduces mortality as it can help to diagnose lung cancer earlier. However, only 5.7% of high-risk individuals are currently getting screened in the US, and Canadian statistics even further behind. This means thousands of lives are lost every year simply due to a lack of awareness. A proclamation would lend official recognition to the importance of educating the public on lung cancer, as well as emphasize your personal commitment to raising awareness about the resources available to screen for the disease early-on. We have gotten 105 proclamations in every single U.S. state, and we hope we can get a proclamation in White Rock as well this year. Along with this letter, I have attached a sample proclamation that may help your office compose the appropriate proclamation for White Rock.

Thank you so much for your valuable time and consideration. Sincerely,

Maya Sharma

Canadian Lung Cancer Screening Initiative