

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts



A Proclamation

Whereas, Prostate cancer is the most common major malignancy, striking as many as one in seven American men, and the second most lethal cancer in Massachusetts men;
and

Whereas, Prostate cancer is a leading health care disparity; it is 2.5 times more lethal in Black (including Hispanic) men compared to other ethnic groups; and

Whereas, While prostate cancer is curable when detected early, over 600 Massachusetts men die each year; and

Whereas, Medical experts, advocacy and grassroots organizations in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts can lead the charge in creating and expanding a new model of national leadership in prostate cancer awareness, education and research, which will bring cutting-edge, evidence-based strategies for precision screening, diagnosis and treatment from our world - leading hospitals to all men and end health care disparities,

Now, Therefore, I, Charles D. Baker, Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, do hereby proclaim April 12th, 2018, to be,

PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS DAY

And urge all the citizens of the Commonwealth to take cognizance of this event and participate fittingly in its observance.

Given at the Executive Chamber in Boston, this Twelfth Day of April, in the year two thousand and eighteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and forty-first.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY

Handwritten signature of Charles D. Baker in blue ink.

CHARLES D. BAKER
GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH

Handwritten signature of Karyn E. Polito in blue ink.

KARYN E. POLITO
LT. GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH

Handwritten signature of William Francis Galvin in blue ink.

WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN
SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH

God Save the Commonwealth of Massachusetts