

DECLARATION

WHEREAS: Lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer death in Alberta; with a five year survival rate of only 24 per cent, it claims the lives of approximately 1,600 Albertans a year;

WHEREAS: It is recognized that everyone with lungs can get lung cancer; the causes of lung cancer are many including exposure to harmful substances; the largest risk factor being smoking which is the cause of about 71 per cent of new cases;

WHEREAS: The Government of Alberta provides funding through Alberta Health Services so those who are ready to reduce or quit smoking have access to free supports, and through awareness and prevention, fewer cases of lung cancer will impact the lives of Albertans and their families;

WHEREAS: Lung Cancer Canada serves as a leading Canadian resource for lung cancer, providing awareness, education and research for healthcare professionals and the general public, as well as support and advocacy for lung cancer patients and their families;

THEREFORE: THE HONOURABLE JASON COPPING IS PROUD TO DECLARE NOVEMBER 2021 AS LUNG CANCER AWARENESS MONTH IN ALBERTA.



The Honourable Jason Copping Minister of Health