PROCLAMATION

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS

WHEREAS: The Pink Ribbon reminds us that breast cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer in women and the second most common cause of cancer deaths in women in the United States. However, when breast cancer is detected in its earliest stages, there can be a 95% 5-year survival rate; and

WHEREAS: Thirty counties in Arkansas do not have a fixed mammography facility, and this creates a barrier for many women to easily access mammography, thereby possibly increasing their mortality rate; and

WHEREAS: It is estimated that in the United States, 266,120 women and 2,550 men will be diagnosed with breast cancer in 2018, and approximately 40,920 women and 480 men will die of the disease. In Arkansas this year, an estimated 2,160 new cases in women will be detected and 410 breast cancer deaths will occur; and

WHEREAS: October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and October 5th is designated as "Go Pink for the Cure Day" to bring awareness of the importance of mammography and to renew its commitment to removing obstacles that prevent women from seeking mammograms.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jimmy Clark, Mayor of the City of Heber Springs, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the laws of Heber Springs, Arkansas, and I, Jerry Holmes, Judge of Cleburne County, Arkansas, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the laws of Cleburne County, Arkansas, do hereby jointly proclaim October 5, 2018, as

GO PINK FOR THE CURE DAY

Across the City of Heber Springs and Cleburne County, we urge all our fellow citizens to join us in helping to promote efforts for the prevention and treatment of this deadly disease.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and proclaimed this 5th day of October, in the year of our Lord 2018, as Go Pink for the Cure Day.

The Honorable Jimmy Clark
Mayor of the City of Heber Springs

The Honorable Jerry Holmes
Judge of the County of Cleburne