

TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH FAYETTE ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

RESOLUTION No. 04 of 2018

- WHEREAS, colorectal cancer is a leading cause of cancer-related deaths and, excluding skin cancers, the third most commonly diagnosed cancer for both men and women in the United States; and
- **WHEREAS**, the American Cancer Society estimates that more than 140,000 new cases of colon and rectal cancer will be diagnosed in the United States this year, and over 50,000 Americans will die from the disease; and
- **WHEREAS**, colorectal screening, a powerful yet underused lifesaving examination, helps prevent colon cancer through early detection of polyps before they progress into cancer; and
- **WHEREAS**, while the vast majority of colon cancer deaths can be prevented through proper screening and early detection, only about 40 percent of colorectal cancer patients have their cancers detected at an early stage; and
- **WHEREAS**, because colorectal cancer is preventable, treatable, and beatable in most cases, there are more than one million survivors of this disease in the United States today.
- NOW, THEREFORE, South Fayette Township hereby proclaim March 2018 as COLORECTAL CANCER AWARENESS MONTH and encourage everyone to learn more about the health and healthcare cost benefits of early cancer detection through colorectal screen.

RESOLVED and ENACTED this 21st day of February, 2018

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH FAYETTE

RYAN TUEGGLESTON TOWNSHIP MANAGER

RAYMOND PITETTI, PRESIDENT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS