

## City Council of the City of Marathon, Florida

## **Breast Cancer Awareness Month Proclamation**

**WHEREAS,** during National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, we honor those we have lost, lend our strength to those who carry on the fight, and pledge to educate ourselves and our loved ones about this tragic disease; and

**WHEREAS**, there have been great strides in combating the devastating illness of breast cancer, which is the second most commonly diagnosed form of cancer in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, death rates from breast cancer have been declining, and this change is believed to be the result of earlier detection and improved treatment; and

**WHEREAS**, though the exact causes of breast cancer are unknown, understanding its risk factors is essential to prevention; and

**WHEREAS**, those who have a personal or family history of breast cancer are among those at greater risk of developing the illness; and

**WHEREAS**, early detection and getting recommended screening mammograms to help to detect breast cancer early is key in the fight against breast cancer; and

**WHEREAS**, this month, we stand with those who have been affected by breast cancer, and we recognize the ongoing efforts of dedicated advocates, researchers, and health care providers who strive each day to defeat this terrible disease.

**NOW THEREFORE**, the City of Marathon City Council hereby proclaims the month of October, 2019 be recognized in the City of Marathon as National Breast Cancer Awareness Month and encourage everyone to educate themselves of the risk factors and get the recommended screenings.

October 8, 2019		
Date	Mayor John Bartus	