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WHEREAS, lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer death among men and women in the United States and Arizona, accounting for more deaths than colon cancer, breast cancer, and prostate cancer combined; and

WHEREAS, according to the Centers for Disease Control, there were 3,905 new lung cancer cases and 2,512 deaths because of lung cancer in 2019; and

WHEREAS, lung cancer in individuals who never smoked is the 7th leading cause of cancer-related death and accounts for 17,000-26,000 deaths in the US every year; and

WHEREAS, the stigma surrounding lung cancer creates barriers to early diagnosis, treatment, and funding for research, has a detrimental impact on the quality of life of people diagnosed with lung cancer, and hinders awareness of and research into lung cancer risk factors other than smoking; and

WHEREAS, lung cancer research is leading to breakthroughs in the identification of genetic alterations associated with lung cancer and in the development of lung cancer treatments, including immunotherapies and targeted therapies; and

WHEREAS, organizations working in Arizona, such as the American Lung Cancer Screening Initiative and Women's Lung Cancer Forum, are committed to educating about lung cancer and lung cancer screening and working to increase lung cancer screening rates in Arizona.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that I, Jeff Brown, Vice Mayor of the Town of Queen Creek, do hereby proclaim November 2022 as

## Lung Cancer Awareness Month

WITNESS MY HAND this 2<sup>nd</sup> Day of November, 2022.

Jetf Brown, Vice Mayor

Małia Gonzalez, Town Clerk