

*From the office of the Mayor*

# Proclamation

- Whereas;** in the year 2006, the month of September has been declared National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month; and
- Whereas;** in the year 2006, an estimated 234,460 men in the United States will learn that they have prostate cancer and across the nation prostate cancer is the most commonly diagnosed non-skin cancer in men; and
- Whereas;** an estimated 27,350 men will lose their lives to this disease in 2006, and one in six men in the nation are at risk of developing prostate cancer during their lifetime; and
- Whereas;** it is known that almost one third of prostate cancer occurs in men under the age of 65 during their prime work years, and at any age prostate cancer devastates families through loss of income, partnership and support; and
- Whereas;** African American men have the highest rate of prostate cancer diagnosis and death in men of all racial or ethnic groups in the United States, and prostate cancer is the second leading cause of cancer deaths in African American men; and
- Whereas;** research suggests that men could reduce their risk of prostate cancer mortality if they followed recommended prostate cancer screening guidelines, including examination by a health care provider and increased awareness and use of early detection practices; now
- Therefore:** I, the Mayor of the City of Las Vegas, County of Clark, State of Nevada, hereby proudly proclaim September 2006 to be:

## **National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month**

IN THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS AND ASK THAT ALL CITIZENS RECOGNIZE THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY FOR THEIR DEDICATION TO ELIMINATING CANCER AS A MAJOR HEALTH PROBLEM BY SAVING LIVES, DIMINISHING SUFFERING AND PREVENTING CANCER THROUGH RESEARCH, EDUCATION, ADVOCACY AND SERVICE. WE ALSO URGE ALL MEN IN OUR COMMUNITY AND THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY TO BECOME AWARE OF THEIR OWN RISKS OF PROSTATE CANCER, TALK TO THEIR HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS ABOUT PROSTATE CANCER AND, WHENEVER APPROPRIATE, GET SCREENED FOR THE DISEASE.

*In Witness Whereof:*