

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS; October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month, reminding us that government agencies are working together to promote breast cancer awareness, share information on the disease, and provide greater access to screening services; and
- WHEREAS; Lymphedema, an incurable but treatable medical condition affecting the lymphatic system, is breast cancer related and affects an estimated 1.5 to 3 million people a year; and
- WHEREAS; when lymphatic fluid exceeds transport capacity severe swelling can occur which can lead to infection, disfigurement, disability and even death; and
- WHEREAS; Medicare does not currently cover the compression garments and bandages used daily in lymphedema treatment resulting in patients suffering from recurrent infections, progressive degradation in their condition and eventually disability because they cannot afford the garments and bandages required for their everyday self-care; and
- WHEREAS; Congressman Larry Kissell of North Carolina has sponsored a bill which would offer coverage for Medicare beneficiaries with lymphedema.
- THEREFORE: We, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Las Vegas do hereby proclaim October 19, 2011 as

LYMPHEDEMA AWARENESS DAY

And voice our support for any assistance that can be given to those suffering from this debilitating disease.


Mayor Carolyn G. Goodman

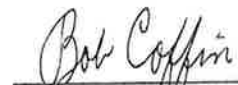

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