

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Denise Ibsen Cole has organized the first 26.2 Step "Mini Marathon" to raise money for Bright Pink (breast and ovarian cancer education), the Hereditary Cancer Foundation (cancer genetic testing), and Nebraska Medicine (gas cards for patients), and

WHEREAS, The "Mini Marathon" concept was created as Denise was training for the Chicago marathon, when she broke her hip. Denise knew she would not be running 26.2 miles because walking "26.2 steps" was a challenge, and

WHEREAS, Because of an inherited, cancer-causing gene mutation, known as BRCA1, Denise has an 87% risk of breast cancer and 63% risk of ovarian cancer, and

WHEREAS, September 17th, 2016 marks the four year anniversary of Denise's "trifecta" surgery (prophylactic bilateral mastectomy, reconstruction, and oophorectomy), a surgery that allowed her to prevent breast and ovarian cancers, and

WHEREAS, Denise has served Omaha as the Education Ambassador for Bright Pink, a role that has given her the platform to educate over 2,000 women in Omaha about breast and ovarian health, and

WHEREAS, The "Mini Marathon" will be 26.2 steps to promote health education, advocacy, empowerment, and compassion for everyone affected by cancer.

Now Therefore, I Jean Stothert, Mayor of the City of Omaha, do hereby proclaim September 17, 2016 as

OMAHA MINI MARATHON DAY

In Witness Whereof, I have set my hand and caused the official seal of the City of Omaha to be affixed this 29th Day of August, Two Thousand and Sixteen.



A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jean Stothert".

Jean Stothert, Mayor of Omaha