

PROCLAMATION

*WHEREAS, It is not common knowledge that more women die from heart disease each year than from all cancers combined; and*

*WHEREAS, More women than men will die of heart attacks in the United States each year; and*

*WHEREAS, Cardiovascular disease is an even more serious problem for minority women, with the death rate for African-American women being higher than for Caucasian women; and*

*WHEREAS, Take It To Heart” is an initiative formed by a partnership of Winn Dixie Supermarkets, WJXT Channel 4, and the Baker-Gilmour Cardiovascular Institute to increase public awareness of heart disease in women to encourage prevention and treatment; and*

*WHEREAS, On February 7, in conjunction with National Heart Month, the “Take It To Heart” partners will hold “Take It To Heart” Day which will include free cardiac screenings across the First Coast, from Memorial Hospital in Jacksonville to Flagler Hospital in St. Augustine.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, the City Commission of the City of Saint Augustine hereby proclaims February 7, 2007 as “Take It To Heart” Day in St. Augustine and encourages all citizens to take advantage of the free screenings provided by the “Take It To Heart” partners, and urge them to learn more about heart health.*

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Saint Augustine to be affixed this 7th day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand seven and the four hundred and forty first year of the founding of Saint Nation's Oldest City.*

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*Joe Boles, Mayor*