



Town of Wickenburg

PROCLAMATION

Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month

WHEREAS, Ovarian cancer is the 5th leading cause of death among women and the American Cancer Society estimates that in 2025 approximately 20,890 women will be diagnosed with ovarian cancer and 12,730 individuals will die from the disease nationwide, including 470 new cases and 330 deaths in Arizona; and

WHEREAS, in the United States, a woman's lifetime risk of being diagnosed with ovarian cancer is about 1 in 91 and her lifetime risk of dying from the disease is approximately 1 in 143; and

WHEREAS, due to vague symptoms and the lack of reliable early detection test most women are not diagnosed until Stage III or later, when the cancer has already begun to spread beyond the ovaries; and

WHEREAS, although the five-year survival rate for Stage I ovarian cancer is over 90 percent, only 15 percent of ovarian cancers are diagnosed at this early stage, and the five-year survival rate for late-stage ovarian cancer is below 30 percent; and

WHEREAS, while a mammogram can detect breast cancer and a pap smear can detect cervical cancer, there is no reliable early detection test for ovarian cancer; and

WHEREAS, women's lives can be saved through increased public awareness of ovarian cancer and its risk factors, signs, and symptoms; and

WHEREAS, this month, the Town of Wickenburg joins all those affected by ovarian cancer — those currently battling, those who have lost their lives, their families and caregivers, and our dedicated healthcare professionals — in raising awareness, promoting education, and fostering hope for earlier diagnoses, improved treatments, and ultimately a cure.

NOW THEREFORE, I, BG Bratcher, Mayor of the Town of Wickenburg, do hereby proclaim September 2025 as Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month and encourage all residents to participate in awareness activities, wear teal, and engage in conversations to help save lives.

IN WITNESS WHERE OF, I have hereunto set and caused the seal of the Town of Wickenburg, Arizona, to be affixed on this 2nd day of September 2025.

Mayor BG Bratcher
Vice Mayor Brian Jones
Council Member Kristy Bedoian
Council Member Shawn Clark
Council Member Margaret Nyberg
Council Member Rebecca Rovey
Council Member Art Rubash



BG Bratcher, Mayor