CITY OF CLEARWATER

Proclamation

WHEREAS, ovarian cancer is the fifth leading cause of cancer deaths of women in the United States and causes more deaths than any other gynecologic cancer; and

WHEREAS, in the United States, a woman's lifetime risk of being diagnosed with ovarian cancer is about 1 in 78; and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Society estimates 20,890 cases of ovarian cancer will be newly diagnosed in 2025 and 12,730 individuals will die from the disease nationwide, including 1,820 new cases and 1,050 deaths in Florida; and

WHEREAS, the five-year survival rate for ovarian cancer is 50 percent and survival rates vary greatly depending on the stage of diagnosis; and

WHEREAS, there is not currently an effective diagnostic tool for screening and early detection does not exist;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRUCE RECTOR, Mayor of the City of Clearwater, Florida, on behalf of the Clearwater City Council, do hereby proclaim the month of September 2025 to be

OVARIAN CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

in the City of Clearwater. The Ovarian Cancer Research Alliance and the Celma Mastry Ovarian Cancer Foundation are important advocates in the research and education of ovarian cancer.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand hereto on this 1st day of September 2025, the 110th year of the incorporation of the City of Clearwater.

Mayor