

Proclamation

THROMBOSIS AWARENESS MONTH

- WHEREAS,** Thrombosis is the formation of a blood clot inside a blood vessel, obstructing the flow of blood through the circulatory system. This is potentially a fatal condition that can lead to DVT, stroke or other serious medical conditions; and
- WHEREAS,** More than 600,000 people in the United States are estimated to develop venous thromboembolism or blood clots every year, with about 400,000 of them developing deep vein thrombosis, and about 300,000 dying due to these conditions; and
- WHEREAS,** Pulmonary embolism, a serious and potentially fatal complication of deep vein thrombosis, affects at least 200,000 people in the United States annually and, if neglected, there is an increased risk of the clot traveling to the brain and causing a stroke; and
- WHEREAS,** Through public awareness, promoting prompt diagnosis and proper treatment, the State of Georgia seeks to minimize the frequency of deep vein thrombosis, pulmonary embolism, and stroke among all Georgia citizens and those who visit our great state; and
- WHEREAS,** The Mission of Georgia Thrombosis Forum (GTF, www.gtfonline.net) and North American Thrombosis Forum (NATF, www.natfonline.org) is to increase the awareness of thrombosis and to conduct research in the areas of venous thromboembolism; and
- WHEREAS,** Research conducted in the City of Milton by Ms. Mrunalini Ghangrekar, Mr. Tej Murudkar and Mr. Tejas Deodhar, three of the volunteers of GTF, pertaining to the awareness of thrombosis, indicates that the risk of thrombosis is very much prevalent in the City of Milton and more work needs to be done in the community to reduce the burden of this condition in Milton.

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Milton hereby recognize and proclaim March 2019, and the month of March each year thereafter, as **Thrombosis Awareness Month** and urge all citizens to support efforts of GTF and NATF to reduce the number of people affected by this condition.

Given under my hand and seal of the City of Milton, Georgia on this 18th day of March, 2019.



Joe Lockwood, Mayor