

CITY OF SCOTTSDALE – OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Over 7 million people in the US are living with chronic wounds, unaware of advanced wound care and the beneficial affects of hyperbaric oxygen therapy; and

WHEREAS, Hyperbaric oxygen therapy (HBOT) is a treatment option for wounds, infections or injuries that have not responded to standard treatment, and is recognized by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and other third-party payors; and

WHEREAS, Hyperbaric oxygen therapy is most commonly used in the treatment of diabetic ulcers of lower extremities, radiation injury to bone or tissue, compromised grafts and flaps and chronic refractory osteomyelitis.

WHEREAS, Cancer is the second leading cause of death in the United States. Of 17 million patients diagnosed with cancer in the US, about half of them have received radiation therapy; and

WHEREAS, Hyperbaric oxygen therapy (HBOT) has emerged as a treatment option for patients who suffer from late side effects of radiation therapy. HBOT is believed to help patients by stimulating growth of new blood vessels following radiation-induced damage; and

WHEREAS, Over 34 million people in the US have diabetes, and 25% of them will develop a foot ulcer. Leading to amputation, Hyperbaric oxygen therapy provides necessary oxygenation which is critical in limb preservation; and

WHEREAS, Hyperbaric Awareness USATM and the Hyperbaric AwareTM campaigns aim to heighten national, statewide, and local awareness; ultimately, prolonging lives, avoid amputations and improve patient quality of life.

NOW THEREFORE, I, David D. Ortega, Mayor of the City of Scottsdale, Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 2021 as

Hyperbaric Awareness USATM Month

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Seal of the City of Scottsdale, Arizona.


David D. Ortega, Mayor of Scottsdale


Ben Lane, City Clerk

