## **Proclamation** template

## March Colon Cancer Awareness Month March 1, 2019 – Dress in Blue Day

Whereas: colon cancer is the second leading cause of cancer related deaths in Kentucky and the Commonwealth currently ranks among the highest in the nation in colon cancer mortality; and

**Whereas:** screening tests can prevent colon cancer and detect it early when treatment can be most effective; and

**Whereas:** men and women age 50 and older, or younger if at high risk, are encouraged to talk with their physician about colon cancer screening: and

**Whereas:** citizens of (*name of county/city*) are urged to join the public awareness campaign about the importance of colon cancer screening;

**Therefore,** I, (*name*, *title*), do hereby proclaim the month of March 2019 (or Friday, March 1, 2019) as **Colon Cancer Awareness Month** (or Dress in Blue Day).