

# Proclamation

City of Cincinnati

## ***Be It Proclaimed:***

***Whereas***, it is estimated that over six million people currently live with chronic wounds and that number is expected to grow at more than two percent annually for the next decade; and,

***Whereas***, the rising incidence is fueled by an aging population and increasing rates of diseases and conditions, such as diabetes, obesity and the late effects of radiation therapy; and,

***Whereas***, untreated chronic wounds can lead to diminished quality of life and possibly amputation of the affected limb; and,

***Whereas***, the chronic wound epidemic represents a cost of more than \$50 billion to the healthcare system; and,

***Whereas***, more than 29.1 million people (9.3% of population) have diabetes in the United States and almost two million of those people will develop a diabetic foot ulcer or other non-healing wound; and,

***Whereas***, an estimated 8,604 people in Cincinnati live with chronic wounds and 48,711 live with diabetes; and,

***Whereas***, advanced wound care aims to prevent amputations and heal patients in a faster and more cost-effective way, and awareness and education about chronic wounds will benefit current and future chronic wound patients; and,

***Whereas***, the goal of Wound Care Awareness Week is to inform patients, their families, community physicians and the general public about the importance of advanced wound care and its ability to save lives and limbs;

***Now, Therefore, I, John Cranley,***

***Mayor of the City of Cincinnati do hereby proclaim June 4-8, 2018***

***as***

***“Wound Care Awareness Week”***

***in Cincinnati.***



**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused this seal of the City of Cincinnati to be affixed this Fourth day of June in the year Two Thousand and Eighteen.**

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**John Cranley**  
**Mayor, City of Cincinnati**