

# Proclamation



CITY OF NORTHAMPTON  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

## Home Care and Hospice Month November 2021

- WHEREAS,** home care and hospice in the United States is a growing alternative to hospitalization or other institution based hospitalization forms of health care for acute and chronic illnesses, providing care to millions of Americans each year; and
- WHEREAS,** home care and hospice services provide high quality and compassionate health care services to those in need, especially at times of community or personal healthcare crisis; and
- WHEREAS,** home care and hospice is the most preferred method of health care delivery amongst the elderly, disabled, chronically ill, and those at the end-of-life who are eager to live independently in their own homes as long as they possibly can; and
- WHEREAS,** home care and hospice services allow families to stay together, and provide for greater health, dignity, and comfort; and
- WHEREAS,** thousands of everyday heroes such as home care and hospice nurses, therapists, aides, social workers, and volunteers work tirelessly to provide professional health and hospice care and support to millions of Americans in need of quality health services and end-of-life care; and
- WHEREAS,** these dedicated home care and hospice professionals and volunteers form a support network that continues to play a vital role in health care delivery for our community's disabled, infirm, aging population, and those who are dying; and
- WHEREAS,** the Cooley Dickinson VNA & Hospice and thousands of home care and hospice agencies across the United States have declared the month of November 2021 as National Home Care and Hospice Month and are calling on all citizens of Northampton, MA to observe this occasion with appropriate ceremonies and activities;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Mayor David J. Narkewicz, do hereby proclaim November 2021 as

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in Northampton and encourage the support and participation of all citizens in learning more about the home care and hospice concepts of care for the elderly, disabled, and infirmed.



**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and have imprinted the Seal of the City of Northampton on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of November 2021.**

A stylized, handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David J. Narkewicz'.

**Mayor David J. Narkewicz**