



# *City of Sebastopol Proclamation*

## *Proclaiming May 2018 as Lyme Awareness Month*

Whereas, the natural world is a beautiful place and warm weather increases outdoor activities for people to enjoy this beautiful world, and

Whereas, if you have nature lovers in your family, make sure that they are aware of the dangers involved with being bitten by ticks, and

Whereas, ticks can transmit serious and potentially fatal diseases such as Lyme disease; and

Whereas, Lyme disease when not properly diagnosed or treated may affect vital organs or mimic other diseases, making proper diagnosis more difficult; and

Whereas, many states and counties have taken steps to raise awareness regarding Lyme and tick-borne diseases; and

Whereas, the best protection against tick-borne diseases are prevention, education and early treatment; and

Whereas, declaring "May Lyme Awareness Month" is one more way to help remind people spring is here, ticks are out, and prevention & proper education are our best tools to staying healthy.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City of Sebastopol City Council does hereby proclaim the month of May 2018 as Lyme Awareness Month and encourage all residents to be vigilant and spread awareness to help save lives.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Sebastopol to be affixed, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2018.

Patrick Slayter  
Mayor

