Dear Mayor and Council:

**Since 2004, September 26 has been Mesothelioma Awareness Day annually across the United States.**

Established by community members of the Mesothelioma Applied Research Foundation, the day has brought more attention and funding to mesothelioma, an aggressive form of cancer — most often caused by asbestos — that affects the smooth lining of the chest, lungs, heart and abdomen.

[Your story/connection to mesothelioma here]

The Mesothelioma Applied Research Foundation is the only 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization working to eradicate mesothelioma and end this national tragedy. Its programs include the funding of promising and peer-reviewed research, education, support and advocacy. The Meso Foundation strives to bring together thought-leaders in the field to identify the most direct path to a cure.

More information is available on the Meso Foundation’s website [www.curemeso.org](http://www.curemeso.org)

**I/we ask that you declare September 26 as Mesothelioma Awareness Day in [CITY]. A sample proclamation text is attached.**

Thank you for your time and your support.

Sincerely,

[YOUR NAME HERE]