



Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month

WHEREAS, PANCREATIC CANCER CONTINUES TO BE THE FOURTH LEADING CAUSE OF CANCER DEATH IN AMERICA, WITH AN ESTIMATED 43,920 AMERICANS DIAGNOSED WITH AND 37,390 TO DIE FROM THIS DISEASE IN JUST THIS YEAR, AND

WHEREAS, 2,400 DEATHS WILL OCCUR THIS YEAR IN TEXAS ALONE; AND

WHEREAS, SYMPTOMS AND DETECTION OCCUR TOO LATE FOR AN OPTIMISTIC PROGNOSIS, RESULTING IN 74 PERCENT OF PATIENTS DYING WITHIN THE FIRST YEAR OF DIAGNOSIS, AND 94 PERCENT GONE WITHIN THE FIRST FIVE YEARS; AND

WHEREAS, THE PANCREATIC CANCER ACTION NETWORK IS THE FIRST AND ONLY NATIONAL PATIENT ADVOCACY ORGANIZATION IN COLLIN COUNTY AND NATIONWIDE SUPPORTING THOSE DYING FROM THIS DISEASE, AND IS FIGHTING FOR NOTHING LESS THAN A CURE FOR PANCREATIC CANCER;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COLLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT, ON BEHALF OF THE CITIZENS OF COLLIN COUNTY, RECOGNIZES THE **PANCREATIC CANCER ACTION NETWORK** AND DESIGNATES THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER AS **PANCREATIC CANCER AWARENESS MONTH** TO INSPIRE GREATER PUBLIC DISCOURSE AND ACTION TO DEFEAT THIS DEADLY DISEASE. IN WITNESS THEREOF, WE HEREUNTO SET OUR HANDS THIS TWENTY-SECOND DAY OF OCTOBER, IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND TWELVE.

KEITH SELF, COUNTY JUDGE

MATT SHAHEEN, COMMISSIONER, PCT. 1

CHERYL WILLIAMS, COMMISSIONER, PCT. 2

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