

IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

A RESOLUTION supporting the efforts of the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network to promote awareness of pancreatic cancer and declaring November 13, 2015, as "World Pancreatic Cancer Day" in Jackson County.

RESOLUTION NO. 18976, October 26, 2015

INTRODUCED BY Crystal Williams, Dan Tarwater III, Frank White, Jr., Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Alfred Jordan, Dennis Waits, Greg Grounds, and Theresa Galvin, County Legislators

WHEREAS, in 2015, an estimated 48,960 people will be diagnosed with pancreatic cancer in the United States and 40,560 will die from the disease; and,

WHEREAS, pancreatic cancer is one of the deadliest cancers, currently the fourth leading cause of cancer death in the United States, and projected to become the second by 2020; and,

WHEREAS, pancreatic cancer is the only major cancer with a five-year relative survival rate in the single digits, at just seven percent; and,

WHEREAS, when symptoms of pancreatic cancer present themselves, it is generally late stage, and 73 percent of pancreatic cancer patients die within the first year of their diagnosis while 93 percent of pancreatic cancer patients die within the first five years; and,

WHEREAS pancreatic cancer is the seventh most common cause of cancer-related

WHEREAS, approximately 860 pancreatic cancer deaths will occur in Missouri in 2015, and there will be an estimated 367,000 new pancreatic cancer cases diagnosed globally in 2015; and,

WHEREAS, the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network is the national organization serving the pancreatic cancer community, through a comprehensive approach that includes public policy development, research funding, patient service, and public awareness related to developing effective treatments and a cure for pancreatic cancer; and,

WHEREAS, the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network and its affiliates in Jackson County support those patients currently battling pancreatic cancer, as well as those who have lost their lives to the disease, and are committed to nothing less than a cure; and,

WHEREAS, the good health and well-being of the residents of Jackson County are enhanced as a direct result of increased awareness about pancreatic cancer and research into early detection, causes, and effective treatments; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the Legislature hereby encourages the support of sustained adequate funding for the National Institutes of Health and the National Cancer Institute and hereby designates November 13, 2015 as "World Pancreatic Cancer Day" in Jackson County.

Effective Date: This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage by a majority of the Legislature.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Jay D. Hallen
Chief Deputy County Counselor

W. [Signature]
County Counselor

Certificate of Passage

I hereby certify that the attached resolution, Resolution No. 18976 of October 26, 2015, as duly passed on October 26, 2015 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

Yeas 8

Nays 0

Abstaining 0

Absent 0

Excused 1

10.26.15
Date

Mary Jo Spino
Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature