

PROCLAMATION

Declaring November 17, 2016 "World Pancreatic Cancer Day" in Farmington, Maine

WHEREAS in 2016, an estimated 53,070 people in the United States will be diagnosed with pancreatic cancer, one of the deadliest cancers, and 41,780 will die from the disease;

WHEREAS pancreatic cancer surpassed breast cancer this year to become the third leading cause of cancer death in the United States and is projected to become the second leading cause by 2020;

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

WHEREAS when symptoms of pancreatic cancer present themselves, it is generally in later stages, and 71 percent of pancreatic cancer patients die within the first year of their diagnosis.

WHEREAS approximately 230 deaths will occur in Maine in 2016;

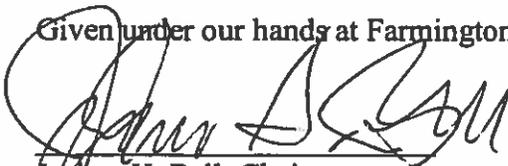
WHEREAS pancreatic cancer is the seventh most common cause of cancer-related death in men and women across the world;

WHEREAS there will be an estimated 418,451 new pancreatic cancer cases diagnosed worldwide in 2020;

WHEREAS the good health and well-being of the residents of Farmington 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, THAT WE, the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Farmington, Maine hereby designate November 17, 2016 as "World Pancreatic Cancer Day" in Farmington Maine.

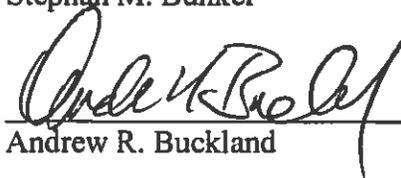
Given under our hands at Farmington, Maine this 8th day of November, A.D. 2016.

  
Joshua H. Bell, Chairman

  
Michael J. Fogg

  
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