

Town of James Island

World Pancreatic Cancer Day

PROCLAMATION

Declaring November 21 as World Pancreatic Cancer Day in the Town of James Island.

WHEREAS in 2024, an estimated 66,440 people will be diagnosed with pancreatic cancer in the United States and 51,750 will die from the disease;

WHEREAS pancreatic cancer is one of the deadliest cancers, is currently the third leading cause of cancer death in the United States, and is projected to become the second leading cause around 2030;

WHEREAS pancreatic cancer is the only major cancer with a five-year relative survival rate at just 13 percent;

WHEREAS when symptoms of pancreatic cancer present themselves, it is generally in later stages, and 91 percent of pancreatic cancer patients die within the first five years;

WHEREAS approximately 920 deaths will occur in South Carolina in 2024;

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

WHEREAS there were an estimated 510,992 new pancreatic cancer cases diagnosed worldwide in 2022;

WHEREAS the good health and well-being of the residents of the Town of James Island are enhanced as a direct result of increased awareness about the symptoms and risks of pancreatic cancer, and research into early detection, causes, and effective treatments; therefore be it

RESOLVED that Mayor Brook Lyon and the members of Town Council designates November 21 as World Pancreatic Cancer Day in the Town of James Island.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Town of James Island, south Carolina, to be affixed this 17 October, 2024.

Brook Lyon, Mayor

Frances Simmons, Town Clerk