

## Proclamation in Recognition of Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month

WHEREAS, pancreatic cancer is the fourth leading cause of cancer deaths in the United States; and

WHEREAS, sadly, there is no cure for pancreatic cancer and there have been no significant improvements in early detection, treatment methods, or survival rates in the last 40 years; and

WHEREAS, when symptoms of pancreatic cancer present themselves, it is usually too late for an optimistic prognosis, and the average life expectancy of those diagnosed with metastasis disease in only three to six months; and

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

WHEREAS, the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network is the first and only national patient advocacy organization that serves the community in Michigan and nationwide by focusing its efforts on public policy, research funding, patient services, and public awareness and education related to developing effective treatments and a cure for pancreatic cancer; and

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

**THEREFORE, Be It Resolved,** that the Mayor and City Council designate the month of November 2010 as "Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month" in the City of Rochester Hills.

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