

RESOLUTION

ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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INITIATED BY



Pancreatic Cancer Action Network
DRAFTED BY

Board of Health
SUBMITTED BY

October 17, 2013
DATE DRAFTED

DECLARING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER "PANCREATIC CANCER AWARENESS MONTH" IN ROCK COUNTY

1 **WHEREAS**, in 2013, an estimated 45,220 people will be diagnosed with pancreatic cancer in the
2 United States and 38,460 will die from the disease; and,

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4 **WHEREAS**, pancreatic cancer is one of the deadliest cancers, is the fourth leading cause of cancer
5 death in the United States, and is the only major cancer with a five-year relative survival rate in the
6 single digits at just six percent; and,

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8 **WHEREAS**, when symptoms of pancreatic cancer present themselves, it is usually too late for an
9 optimistic prognosis, and 73 percent of pancreatic cancer patients die within the first year of their
10 diagnosis while 94 percent of pancreatic cancer patients die within the first five years; and,

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12 **WHEREAS**, approximately 770 deaths will occur in Wisconsin in 2013; and,

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14 **WHEREAS**, the incidence and death rate for pancreatic cancer are increasing and pancreatic cancer is
15 anticipated to move from the fourth to the second leading cause of cancer death in the U.S. by 2020;

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17 **WHEREAS**, the U.S. Congress passed the Recalcitrant Cancer Research Act last year, which calls on
18 the National Cancer Institute to develop a scientific frameworks, or strategic plans, for pancreatic
19 cancer and other deadly cancers, which will help provide the strategic direction and guidance needed to
20 make true progress against these diseases; and,

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22 **WHEREAS**, the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network is the national organization serving the pancreatic
23 cancer community in Rock County and nationwide through a comprehensive approach that includes
24 public policy, research funding, patient services, and public awareness and education related to
25 developing effective treatments and a cure for pancreatic cancer; and,

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

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31 **WHEREAS**. the good health and well-being of the residents of Rock County are enhanced as a direct
32 result of increased awareness about pancreatic cancer and research into early detection, causes, and
33 effective treatments; therefore be it.

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35 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly
36 assembled on this 21 day of November, 2013, does hereby designate the month of
37 November 2013 as "Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month" in Rock County.

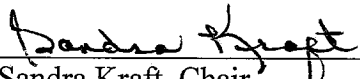
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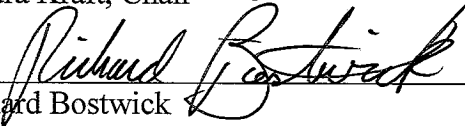
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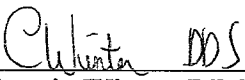
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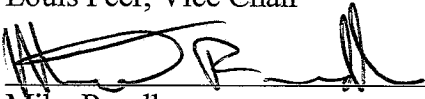

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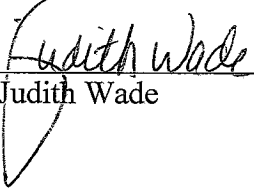

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