

WHEREAS, Pitt County Memorial Hospital, Cancer Services provides comprehensive care to the people of Eastern North Carolina by fulfilling its mission, which is "To provide comprehensive cancer services to the citizens in Eastern North Carolina through prevention, screening, and early detection programs/services and cancer treatments";

WHEREAS, the Cancer Services emphasizes the need for cancer awareness by declaring the month of May as Skin Cancer Awareness Month;

WHEREAS, the population of Eastern North Carolina has significant vocational and recreational sun exposure;

WHEREAS, according to the American Cancer Society, about 68,000 new cases of melanoma are expected to occur in 2011 in the United States and nearly 8,700 people will die of the disease;

WHEREAS, one American dies of melanoma almost every hour;

WHEREAS, more than one million cases of skin cancer are diagnosed in the United States each year and more than 11,000 Americans die each year from skin cancer;

WHEREAS, skin cancer is the most common form of cancer in the United States; and

WHEREAS, early detection of skin cancer can lead to cure and increased survival.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Patricia C. Dunn, Mayor of the City of Greenville, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim, the month of May, 2011 as

SKIN CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

This 5th day of May, 2011.

Patricia C. Dunn, Mayor