

WHEREAS, Pitt County Memorial Hospital Cancer Services provides comprehensive care to the people of Eastern North Carolina by fulfilling its mission which is to "improve cancer prevention, detection, and treatment for the people of Eastern North Carolina through enhanced patient care, teaching and research";

WHEREAS, Cancer Services is working within the community to emphasize the need for cancer awareness and celebrate the strength and determination of all cancer survivors by declaring March 13, 2010 as a day to honor our cancer survivors;

WHEREAS, the term "cancer survivor" includes anyone who has been diagnosed with cancer from the time of diagnosis through the rest of his/her life;

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Society estimated 42,270 new cases of cancer occurred in North Carolina in 2009. The 2010 figures have not been published as of this time;

WHEREAS, according to the National Cancer Institute, there are more than 12 million people in the United States and 358,000 living in North Carolina today who are cancer survivors; and

WHEREAS, three out of four American families will have at least one family member diagnosed with cancer. Family members, friends, and caregivers are also part of the survivorship experience.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Patricia C. Dunn, Mayor of the City of Greenville, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim March 13, 2010 as

CANCER SURVIVORSHIP AWARENESS DAY

in Greenville.

This 3rd day of March, 2010.

Patricia C. Dunn, Mayor