



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, CITY OF GREENVILLE

Proclamation

WHEREAS, cancer affects millions of people all over the world, and the fact that there is a proven correlation between firefighting and cancer, confirm both the need to eradicate the terrible disease and, until a cure is found, help alleviate the suffering of its victims;

WHEREAS, in 2008, the American Cancer Society expected about 1,437,180 new cancers to be diagnosed in the United States. This year about 665,650 Americans are expected to die of cancer, more than 1,300 people a day;

WHEREAS, cancer is one of the deadliest diseases of them all, we need to come together to fight it, that means more of us who haven't been affected, need to step up and lead the way;

WHEREAS, firefighters normally wear blue or white shirts 365 days a year, for three days they may wear pink ribbons and give an image of hope and courage to those who worry about being alone in their battle for life. Firefighters speaking on behalf of our women, wearing their color (pink), and standing in the front showing that they care just by wearing pink;

WHEREAS, the Greenville Fire/Rescue Department recognize, support, and encourage their firefighters to participate in the "Cares Enough to Wear Pink" campaign in honor of women who battle cancer; and

WHEREAS, on October 25, 26, and 27 Greenville's firefighters may wear pink ribbons to show support for those battling cancer;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Patricia C. Dunn, Mayor of the City of Greenville, North Carolina, in recognition of all firefighters who will be participating, do hereby proclaim October 25 - 27, 2009 as

CARES ENOUGH TO WEAR PINK DAYS

in Greenville.

This 23rd day of September, 2009.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Patricia C. Dunn", is written over a horizontal line.

Patricia C. Dunn, Mayor