

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, CITY OF GREENVILLE

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WHEREAS, Riley's Army originated when two physicians' daughter, Riley, was diagnosed with pediatric cancer in May 2006; and

WHEREAS, their daughter's fight against her relapse of pediatric cancer in June 2007 brought support from numerous individuals and churches throughout Greenville and surrounding areas. Many people stepped across typical boundaries of faith, race and financial backgrounds to offer their prayers and support; and

WHEREAS, their medical experience and the support from the community helped them through their journey and allowed them to see potential ways to help other families in similar situations; and

WHEREAS, Riley's Army is an organization aimed at providing support to children with cancer and their families in Eastern North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the organization's services are provided free of charge. A volunteer coordinator will help each family to facilitate the individual plan for support. Services can include, but are not limited to, education, meals, sitting with the pediatric cancer patient or siblings, and prayers; and

WHEREAS, Riley's Army receives offers from many caring volunteers to help in its mission. Volunteering can mean anything from a simple, yet powerful, prayer request to taking the time to sit with a child for a few hours out of the week; and

WHEREAS, a Riley's Army Kick Off Party is scheduled for Wednesday, June 25th at Applebee's to raise awareness of pediatric cancer and funds to support pediatric cancer patients and their families;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Patricia C. Dunn, Mayor of the City of Greenville, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim June 25, 2008 as

RILEY'S ARMY DAY

in Greenville.

This 16th day of June, 2008.

Patricia C. Dunn, Mayor