



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, CITY OF GREENVILLE

# *Proclamation*

**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**, Pitt County Memorial Hospital 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 19, 2009 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 or her life;

**WHEREAS**, the American Cancer society estimates over 40,420 new cases of cancer will occur in North Carolina in 2009;

**WHEREAS**, according to the National Cancer Institute, there are more than 12 million people in the United States 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 19, 2009 as

## **CANCER SURVIVORSHIP AWARENESS DAY**

in Greenville.

This 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2009.

Patricia C. Dunn, Mayor