

*The Board of Supervisors of
Contra Costa County, California*

In the matter of:

Resolution No. 2011/480

Declaring the month of November “Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month” in the County of Contra Costa, State of California

WHEREAS in 2011, an estimated 43,030 people will be diagnosed with pancreatic cancer in the United States and 37,660 will die from the disease; and

WHEREAS pancreatic cancer is one of the deadliest cancers and is the fourth leading cause of cancer death in the United States; and

WHEREAS when symptoms of pancreatic cancer present themselves, it is usually too late for an optimistic prognosis, and 74 percent of pancreatic cancer patients die within the first year of their diagnosis while 94 percent of pancreatic cancer patients die within the first five years; and

WHEREAS approximately 4,010 deaths will occur in California in 2011; and

WHEREAS there is no cure for pancreatic cancer and there have been no significant improvements in survival rates in the last 40 years; and

WHEREAS the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network is the first and only national patient advocacy organization that serves the pancreatic cancer community in Contra Costa County and nationwide by focusing its efforts on public policy, research funding, patient services, and public awareness and education related to developing effective treatments and a cure for pancreatic cancer; and

WHEREAS the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network and its affiliates support those patients currently battling pancreatic cancer, as well as to those who have lost their lives to the disease, and are committed to nothing less than a cure; and

WHEREAS the good health and well-being of the residents of Contra Costa County is enhanced as a direct result of increased awareness about pancreatic cancer and research into early detection, causes, and effective treatments;

that the Board of Supervisors designate the month of November 2011 as “Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month” in the County of Contra Costa, California.

GAYLE B. UILKEMA

Chair,
District II Supervisor

JOHN GIOIA

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District V Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: December 13, 2011

David J. Twa,

By: _____, Deputy