Proclamation

PANCREATIC CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, in 2014, an estimated 46,420 people will be diagnosed with pancreatic cancer in the United States and 39,590 will die from the disease; and

WHEREAS, pancreatic cancer, one of the deadliest cancers, is currently the fourth leading cause of cancer death in the United States and is projected to become the second by 2020; and

WHEREAS, pancreatic cancer is the only major cancer with a five-year relative survival rate in the single digits at just six percent; and

WHEREAS, when symptoms of pancreatic cancer present themselves, it is generally late stage, and 73 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 860 deaths will occur in MO in 2014; and

WHEREAS, the ***Recalcitrant Cancer Research Act*** was signed into law in 2012, which calls on the National Cancer Institute to develop a scientific framework, or strategic plans, for pancreatic cancer and other deadly cancers, which will help provide the strategic direction and guidance needed to make true progress against these diseases; and

WHEREAS, the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network is the national organization serving the pancreatic cancer community in Cameron and nationwide through a comprehensive approach that includes 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 in Cameron 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 Cameron are enhanced as a direct result of increased awareness about pancreatic cancer and research into early detection, causes, and effective treatments.

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis M. Clark, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Cameron, Clinton and DeKalb Counties, Missouri, do hereby proclaim November 2014 to be

"PANCREATIC CANCER AWARENESS MONTH"

in the City of Cameron, Missouri.

In Witness Whereof**,** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Cameron, Missouri to be affixed this 17th day of November 2014.

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Mayor Dennis M. Clark

Attest:

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City Clerk/Finance Clerk