

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, CITY OF GREENVILLE

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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, Cancer Services and the Brody School of Medicine Department of Surgery and the Department of Endocrinology at East Carolina University are working within the community to emphasize the need for thyroid cancer awareness by declaring the month of September as Thyroid Cancer Awareness Month;

WHEREAS, according to the American Cancer Society, an estimated 48,020 new cases of thyroid cancer are expected to occur in 2011 in the United States. Of that total, it is estimated that 11,470 men and 36,550 women will be diagnosed with thyroid cancer;

WHEREAS, according to the American Cancer Society, an estimated 1,740 deaths are anticipated in 2011; and

WHEREAS, early detection of thyroid cancer can save lives and increases treatment options.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Patricia C. Dunn, Mayor of the City of Greenville, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim the month of September, 2011 as

THYROID CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

in Greenville.

This 31st day of August, 2011.

Patricia C. Dunn, Mayor