

City of Simpsonville Proclamation

WHEREAS, in 2023, an estimated 64,050 people will be diagnosed with pancreatic cancer in the United States and 50,550 will die from the disease;

WHEREAS, pancreatic cancer is one of the deadliest cancers, is currently the third leading cause of cancer death in the United States, and is projected to become the second leading cause around 2030;

WHEREAS, pancreatic cancer is the only major cancer with a five-year relative survival rate at just 12 percent;

WHEREAS, when symptoms of pancreatic cancer present themselves, it is generally in later stages, and 88 percent of pancreatic cancer patients die within the first five years;

WHEREAS, approximately 900 deaths will occur in South Carolina in 2023;

WHEREAS, pancreatic cancer is the seventh most common cause of cancer-related death across the world;

WHEREAS, there were an estimated 495,773 new pancreatic cancer cases diagnosed worldwide in 2020;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Paul Shewmaker, Mayor of the City of Simpsonville, do hereby proclaim the 16th day of November 2023 as

WORLD PANCREATIC CANCER DAY

and encourage the residents of Simpsonville to recognize that good health and well-being are enhanced as a direct result of increased awareness about the symptoms and risks of pancreatic cancer, and research into early detection, causes, and effective treatments.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF,

I have set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Simpsonville to be affixed this 17th day of October in the year of our Lord 2023.

Paul Shewmaker

Paul Shewmaker, Mayor