

Executive Department

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in 2012, an estimated 43,920 people will be diagnosed with pancreatic cancer in the United States and 37,390 will die from the disease;

WHEREAS pancreatic cancer is one of the deadliest cancers, is the fourth leading cause of cancer death in the United States, and is the only major cancer with a five-year relative survival rate in the single digits at just six percent;

WHEREAS when symptoms of pancreatic cancer present themselves, it is late stage, 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;

WHEREAS approximately 1710 deaths will occur in Ohio in 2012;

WHEREAS the incidence and death rate for pancreatic cancer are increasing and pancreatic cancer is anticipated to move from the fourth to the second leading cause of cancer death in the U.S. by 2020, and possibly as early 2015;

WHEREAS, the *Recalcitrant Cancer Research Act*, formerly the *Pancreatic Cancer Research & Education Act*, requires that the National Cancer Institute develop a scientific framework for combating pancreatic cancer and other recalcitrant cancers;

WHEREAS the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network is the national organization serving the pancreatic cancer community in Ohio 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;

WHEREAS the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network and its affiliates in Ohio 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;

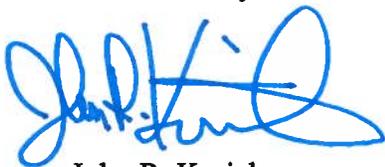
WHEREAS the good health and well-being of the residents of Ohio are enhanced as a direct result of increased awareness about pancreatic cancer and research into early detection, causes, and effective treatments.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John R. Kasich, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby recognize November 2012 as

PANCREATIC CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

throughout Ohio and encourage all citizens to join in observing Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month by utilizing the preventative measures available to sustaining good health.

On this 1st day of November, 2012;



John R. Kasich
Governor

