

# STATE OF OKLAHOMA



## EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

# Proclamation

**Whereas**, pancreatic cancer begins in the tissues of the pancreas, an organ in the abdomen that lies horizontally behind the lower part of your stomach; and

**Whereas**, pancreatic cancer often has a poor prognosis, even when diagnosed early; and

**Whereas**, pancreatic cancer typically spreads rapidly and is seldom detected until the advanced stages, which is a major reason it is one of the leading causes of cancer deaths; and

**Whereas**, treatment for pancreatic cancer depends on the stage and location of the cancer as well as on a patient's age, overall health and personal preferences; and

**Whereas**, the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network is a national organization serving the pancreatic cancer community in Oklahoma through a comprehensive approach which includes public policy, research funding, patient services, public awareness and education related to developing effective treatments and a cure for pancreatic cancer; and

**Whereas**, during the month of November, patients, organizations, and health practitioners are encouraged to promote awareness regarding pancreatic cancer and show support for patients currently battling this disease;

**Now, therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor**, do hereby proclaim November 2015 as

### **"Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month"**

in the state of Oklahoma.

*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed.*



*Done at the Capitol, in the City of Oklahoma City, this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of November, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and fifteen, and of the State of Oklahoma in the one hundred and seventh year.*

ATTEST:

Assistant SECRETARY OF STATE

Mary Fallin  
GOVERNOR

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