

## **PANCREATIC CANCER AWARENESS WEEK PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS:** In 2011, more than 43,030 people will be diagnosed with pancreatic cancer in the United States and an estimated 37,660 will die from the disease; and

**WHEREAS:** Approximately 200 deaths will occur in Idaho; and

**WHEREAS:** Pancreatic cancer is the fourth leading cause of cancer death in the United States; and

**WHEREAS:** 75 percent of pancreatic cancer patients die within one year of their diagnosis, and 94 percent die within five years; and

**WHEREAS:** The survival rate has not changed significantly in nearly 40 years; and

**WHEREAS:** Funding for pancreatic cancer research is reportedly just two percent of the National Cancer Institute's federal research funding; and

**WHEREAS:** The Pancreatic Cancer Action Network was founded in 1999 to advance research, influence policy, support patients, create hope, and increase public awareness about treatments and a cure; and

**WHEREAS:** That nationwide nonprofit organization includes a North Idaho Affiliate to help advocate for those causes; and

**WHEREAS:** Awareness is the first step toward advancing research and improving funding to identify causes and facilitate prevention, early detection, effective treatment, and a cure for this disease;

**NOW THEREFORE,** I, Nancy Chaney, Mayor of the City of Moscow, do hereby proclaim November 21-26, 2011 to be

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and urge all citizens to become more aware of pancreatic cancer and to support scientific efforts to identify effective treatments and a cure for that disease.



DATED this 21<sup>st</sup> day of November, 2011

*Nancy Chaney*  
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Nancy Chaney, Mayor