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SAMPLE PROCLAMATION

NOTE: To help promote National Cancer Survivors Day, try to obtain a proclamation from your mayor or governor. Sometimes the mayor or governor is willing to attend the event and read the proclamation. If not, he or she may be willing to send a representative. This sample proclamation may be used as a guide for drafting a proclamation declaring June 3, 2012, National Cancer Survivors Day in your area. This sample proclamation should be sent with a letter requesting support.

WHEREAS, a “cancer survivor” is defined as anyone living with a history of cancer – from the moment of diagnosis through the remainder of life, and there are nearly 12 million cancer survivors in America; and

WHEREAS, since over 1.5 million new cancer cases will be diagnosed in the United States this year, increased access to quality cancer care, screening, and prevention – especially among minorities and the medically underserved – must be a top priority in our community; and

WHEREAS, the great [TOWN/CITY/STATE OF _____] has an active, productive cancer survivor population; and

WHEREAS, hundreds of communities worldwide will be celebrating life on Sunday, June 3; and

WHEREAS, on behalf of the people of [TOWN/CITY/STATE], I salute all cancer survivors and those that support them;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, [NAME OF MAYOR/GOVERNOR/COUNTY EXECUTIVE/PRESIDENT OF CITY COUNCIL] of [TOWN/CITY/STATE], do hereby proclaim observance of

NATIONAL CANCER SURVIVORS DAY[®] Sunday, June 3, 2012

in [TOWN/CITY/STATE], and urge all citizens to join in this joyous celebration of life.

WITNESS MY HAND and the official Seal of [TOWN/CITY/STATE],
[MAYOR’S/GOVERNOR’S/COUNTY EXECUTIVE’S/PRESIDENT OF CITY COUNCIL’S SIGNATURE]

Caution:

- *Do not use in present form. Replace bracketed material with local names and data.*
- *Contact the appropriate office to determine the time frame and preferred procedures for requesting the proclamation.*
- *Be sure to place a follow-up call to confirm receipt of request and encourage action.*
- *Send a written letter of appreciation following the event.*