Proclamation Declaring November 20, 2025 as World Pancreatic Cancer Day in the Town of Smithfield

WHEREAS, in 2025, an estimated 67,440 individuals in the United States will be diagnosed with pancreatic cancer, and approximately 51,980 will lose their lives to this devastating disease;

WHEREAS, pancreatic cancer is currently the third leading cause of cancer-related death in the United States, surpassing breast cancer, and is projected to become the second leading cause around 2030;

WHEREAS, pancreatic cancer has the lowest five-year relative survival rate of all major cancers, and remains the only major cancer with a five-year survival rate below 20 percent;

WHEREAS, symptoms of pancreatic cancer often appear in the late stages, resulting in only 15 percent of cases being diagnosed when the disease is still localized, and more than 87 percent of those diagnosed die within five years;

WHEREAS, an estimated 1,910 deaths will occur in North Carolina due to pancreatic cancer in 2025;

WHEREAS, the good health and well-being of the residents of Smithfield are enhanced through greater awareness, education, and research into early detection, risk factors, and effective treatments for pancreatic cancer;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, **M. Andy Moore,** Mayor of the Town of Smithfield do hereby proclaim November 20, 2025, as

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in the Town of Smithfield, and I encourage all residents to learn more about this disease and support efforts toward finding a cure.



M. Andy Moore, Mayor Town of Smithfield, NC

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the Town of Smithfield on this Twenty First Day of October in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty-Five.