

Proclamation



Whereas	October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month; and
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Whereas breast cancer is the most common cancer among women, other than skin cancer; and

Whereas breast cancer is the second leading cause of cancer death in women, exceeded only by lung cancer; and

Whereas 226,870 new cases of invasive breast cancer are expected to be diagnosed in women in the United States in 2012 and about 39,510 women are expected to die from the disease this year; and

Whereas the chance of developing breast cancer at some time in a woman's life is 1 in 8 and the chance of dying from breast cancer is about 1 in 35; and

Whereas about 2,190 new cases of invasive breast cancer will be diagnosed in men in 2012; And about 410 men are expected to die from the disease this year; and

Whereas both men and women should be aware that age, obesity, genetics and family history are factors that can contribute to the risk of developing breast cancer; and

Whereas death rates from breast cancer have been declining since 1991 - a change believed to be the result of treatment advances, earlier detection through screening, and increased awareness; and

Whereas regular self-exams, clinical breast exams, and mammograms are vitally important for early detection of cancer; and

Whereas residents of Somerset and Pulaski County are encouraged to take action to to increase awareness about breast cancer and work to promote early detection;

Now, therefore be it resolved that

We, David Godsey, City Clerk, on behalf of Eddie Girdler, Mayor of Somerset; and Barty Bullock, County Judge Executive of Pulaski County, do hereby proclaim October 2012 as Breast Cancer Awareness Month in Somerset and Pulaski County, Kentucky, and we encourage all citizens to make breast cancer awareness a priority by uniting in the local breast cancer awareness movement to help promote education, prevention and early detection of this disease.

Signed on this, the 2nd day of October, 2012.

City of Somerset

Barty Bullock, County Judge Executive

Pulaski County