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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 4, 2023, National Cancer Survivors Day® in your city or state. 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 more than 18 million cancer survivors in America; and

**WHEREAS**, since the number of cancer survivors is projected to increase to 22.2 million by 2030, increased access to effective cancer treatments, quality survivorship care, and necessary psychosocial resources – especially among minorities and the medically underserved – must be a top priority in our community; and

**WHEREAS**, the great [TOWN/CITY/STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_] has a valuable, dynamic cancer survivor population; and

**WHEREAS**, hundreds of communities worldwide will be celebrating life on Sunday, June 4; and

**WHEREAS**, on behalf of the people of [TOWN/CITY/STATE], I salute all cancer survivors and those who 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 4, 2023**

in [TOWN/CITY/STATE] and urge all citizens to join in this exuberant 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 timeframe 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.***