City of Sumter

South Carolina

Proclamation

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
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WHEREAS, the American Cancer Society is a nationwide, community based, voluntary health organization that is dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem, by preventing cancer, saving lives from cancer, and diminishing suffering from cancer through research, education, advocacy, and service; and

WHEREAS, one of every four deaths in the United States is from cancer, approximately 1,400,000 new cancer cases will be diagnosed this year alone, nearly 10 million Americans alive today have a history of cancer, and almost 7 million Americans were diagnosed with cancer five or more years ago and most of these persons can be considered cured of cancer; and

WHEREAS, it is the goal of the American Cancer Society to sponsor an annual event to raise funds to be used in the fight against cancer, to recognize the survivors of cancer, and to hold a candlelight ceremony in honor of loved ones touched by cancer; and

WHEREAS, ***Relay for Life Day*** is one such activity which will allow the community, the families, and the nation to work together in combating cancer as a dominant health issue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Joseph T. McElveen, Jr., Mayor of the City of Sumter, do hereby proclaim ***Friday, April 27, 2012 as***

"RELAY FOR LIFE DAY"
in the
CITY OF SUMTER

and urge our citizens to support this day by participating in the official ***Relay for Life Day*** festivities and fundraising events sponsored by the American Cancer Society for use in research education, and service for all that are affected by this disease.

Joseph T. McElveen, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Linda D. Hammett, City Clerk