

**PROCLAMATION**  
**NATIONAL OVARIAN CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**  
**SEPTEMBER, 2014**

**WHEREAS**, each year, by proclaiming September as *Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month*, we call attention to a disease that affects women across our county, state and country, with the American Cancer Society estimating in the United States, 15,000 American women projected to lose their lives to ovarian cancer in 2014; and

**WHEREAS**, these women are mothers and daughters, sisters and grandmothers, community members and cherished friends, and the absence they leave in our hearts will be deeply felt forever; and

**WHEREAS**, women who are middle aged or older, who have a family history of ovarian or breast cancer, or have had certain cancers in the past are at increased risk of developing ovarian cancer: and

**WHEREAS**, because ovarian cancer often goes undetected until advanced stages, increasing awareness of risk factors is critical to fighting this disease; and

**WHEREAS**, it is estimated that about 22,000 new cases of ovarian cancer will be diagnosed in the United States this year

**WHEREAS**, the public awareness campaign strives to increase knowledge about this disease, it recognizes the best defense against ovarian cancer is early detection, therefore it is essential that women know the risk factors associated with the disease; and

**WHEREAS**, this month is dedicated to prevention and awareness, it is also to honor those we have lost, show our support for women who bravely carry on the fight, and take action to lessen the tragic toll ovarian cancer takes on families across our county; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED** that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Butler, County of Morris does hereby recognize *September, 2014 as Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month* in the Borough of Butler and calls upon citizens, government agencies, organizations, health care providers, and research institutions to raise ovarian cancer awareness and continue helping American women live longer, healthier lives. We also urge women across our county to talk to their health care providers and learn more about this disease.

  
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Robert W. Alviene, Mayor

September 16, 2014

