



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
CITY OF NEW YORK

Proclamation


Whereas, A healthy city is a strong city, and to ensure this truth is a lived reality for all New Yorkers, it is vital that we acknowledge and address all facets of health care, including mental wellness. This is particularly salient for individuals living with multiple medical conditions for whom serious diagnoses can add financial, mental, and physical strain to their lives. Established in 1944, CancerCare was founded upon this fundamental principle, and for this reason, I am pleased to highlight its unwavering commitment to holistic and patient-centered treatment.

Whereas, According to the New York State Department of Health (DOH), nearly 115,000 residents are diagnosed with cancer each year. CancerCare has offered hope and fellowship to these patients and their families through its comprehensive suite of programming, including counseling, educational resources, and financial assistance. Its licensed oncology social workers utilize their specialized training to help clients confront this immense challenge, communicate their needs, and discover emotional management techniques. In addition, its coping circle workshops and support groups, led by qualified professionals, bring together people with similar life experiences who can understand one another's struggles and encourage each other on their journeys.

Whereas, CancerCare also understands that counseling is not the only resource that patients and their families need, and that is why it furnishes crucial financial aid. In particular, I am pleased to shine a spotlight on its Co-payment Assistance Foundation and its Pet Assistant & Wellness (PAW) program, which, among other services, supplies monetary funds to individuals with pets who may be struggling to pay for their expenses, such as veterinarian appointments and boarding. On the occasion of its 80th anniversary, we celebrate all that this time-honored institution has done to reinvigorate residents and strengthen our robust health network for the past eight decades. I am proud to count it as an ally in our fight to build a more equitable care system, and I look forward to all that it will continue to achieve.

Now therefore, I, Eric Adams, Mayor of the City of New York, do hereby proclaim Saturday, May 4th, 2024, in the City of New York as:

CancerCare Day



Eric Adams

Eric Adams
Mayor