



ROCK ISLAND
ILLINOIS

Mayor Dennis E. Pauley

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** September is National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month; and
- WHEREAS,** ovarian cancer is an insidious and extremely deadly form of cancer that affects 1 in 70 women in their lifetimes; and
- WHEREAS,** if ovarian cancer is detected early, there is a 92% chance for survival, which drops to only 20-25% if the cancer spreads without treatment; and
- WHEREAS,** the symptoms of ovarian cancer are common across many illnesses and are very general, often leading doctors to misdiagnose their patients, who then do not receive appropriate treatment; and
- WHEREAS,** there are no completely reliable screening tests for ovarian cancer and no cures; and
- WHEREAS,** ovarian cancer is not given the same amount of attention in the media as other cancers that also affect women, such as breast cancer, despite ovarian cancer being extremely deadly; and
- WHEREAS,** the best hope of beating ovarian cancer is currently early detection, and women should be informed of the symptoms and should demand a screening test for ovarian cancer if they have any persisting symptoms; and
- WHEREAS,** reliable screening tests for ovarian cancer should one day become a regular part of every woman's gynecological exam; and
- WHEREAS,** this month we recognize the victims and survivors of ovarian cancer and acknowledge the work that still needs to be done to help women fight this deadly disease,

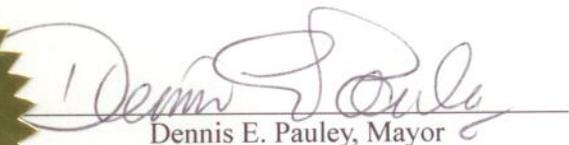
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Dennis E. Pauley, Mayor of the City of Rock Island, do hereby proclaim September, 2012 as

National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month

in the City of Rock Island.

AUGUST 16, 2012
Date




Dennis E. Pauley, Mayor