



ROCK ISLAND  
ILLINOIS

Mayor Dennis E. Pauley

**PROCLAMATION**

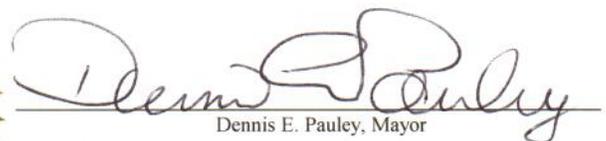
- WHEREAS,** September is National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month; and
- WHEREAS,** ovarian cancer is an insidious and extremely deadly form of cancer that affects 1 in 70 women in their lifetime; and
- WHEREAS,** if ovarian cancer is detected early, there is a 92% chance for survival, which drops to 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 currently is early detection, and women should be informed of the symptoms and should demand a diagnostic 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 the month of September, 2015 as

**National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month**

in the City of Rock Island, Illinois.

AUGUST 24, 2015  
Date



  
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