



*A Proclamation for the American Cancer Society's  
Relay For Life of Barbour County, WV*

*Whereas, Cancer is a group of diseases characterized by uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells which, if not controlled, can result in premature death; and*

*Whereas, Cancer is predicted to strike one out of every three Americans sometime in our lifetime with an estimated 1.9 new cases of cancer diagnosed in the United States in 2021; and*

*Whereas, Approximately 12,500 new cases of cancer are estimated to occur in West Virginia in 2021, and 4,580 West Virginia citizens are expected to lose their battle with cancer this year; and*

*Whereas, The American Cancer Society is the nation's largest and most respected voluntary health organization since 1913 and has funded research which has contributed to every known method for detecting cancer and techniques for treating cancer: thereby increasing the cancer survival rates from 10% to over 65%; and*

*Whereas, The American Cancer Society is a voluntary community-based coalition of local citizens dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem through financial support and education awareness; and*

*Whereas, the color purple is the signature color of the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life events signifying the passion that cancer survivors and their families and loved ones feel for the eradication of this disease, and*

*Whereas, the RELAY FOR LIFE event financially benefits the American Cancer Society's research and patient support programs, and educationally benefits our local citizens; and*

*Whereas, the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life in Barbour County is a community event that allows an opportunity to network with businesses, associates, family and friends, with the same goal of making a difference in the battle against cancer;*

*Now therefore, We the Board of the County Commissioners of Barbour County WV, , DO HEREBY PROCLAIM Friday, August 6, 2021 as Relay for Life Light Up Night; throughout Barbour County, WV. We further will urge all citizens to recognize and participate in this anticancer campaign held in our community.*

*Now therefore, We also PROCLAIM the recognition of the RELAY FOR LIFE event as the "Relay For Life Light Up Night" to show your support to those individuals living with cancer, and honor those individuals that have lost their lives to the dreaded disease of cancer.*

Witnessed this 2nd day of August 2021

*Josip Cvekovic*  
Chairman, Board of Commissioners

*Conrad Kaufman*  
Secretary to Board

Barbour County, West Virginia Board of Commissioners:

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