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Memorandum

TO:

ALL SENATORS

FROM:

SENATOR ELDER VOGEL JR.

DATE:

August 5, 2011

RE:

COSPONSORSHIP

In the near future I will introduce a resolution which would designate November 2011 as Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month in the Commonwealth.

Pancreatic Cancer is the deadliest cancer and the fourth-leading cause of cancer deaths in the United States. More than 43,000 people will be diagnosed with Pancreatic Cancer this year in the United States and 36,000 will die from the disease.

The Federal Government invests less money in Pancreatic Cancer research than it does in any other leading cancers; accordingly, the last 25 years of research have only improved survival rates from 3% to 6%.

It is my hope that this resolution declaring November 2011 as Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month will promote the prevention and early detection of this deadly disease affecting thousands of Pennsylvanians every year.

If you are interested in joining me in sponsoring this resolution please contact Lindsay Raker @ 717-787-3076 or at Iraker@pasen.gov.