

**A PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING SEPTEMBER AS
OVARIAN CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**

WHEREAS, ovarian cancer claims more lives than any other gynecological cancer; and

WHEREAS, each year over 21,000 women are diagnosed with ovarian cancer and over 15,000 perish from the disease; and

WHEREAS, the mortality rate for ovarian cancer has not improved over the past thirty years – it is the fifth leading cause of cancer-related death among women; and

WHEREAS, ovarian cancer is difficult to detect and women are often not diagnosed until the disease has reached an advanced stage; and

WHEREAS, early diagnosis of ovarian cancer can increase the survival rate to as high as ninety percent; and

WHEREAS, certain factors can reduce the risk of ovarian cancer and play an important role in its prevention; and

WHEREAS, awareness and early detection of ovarian cancer is the best means of protecting women's lives; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Township Trustees of Sycamore Township wishes to encourage all women to protect their health by understanding the risk factors and possible symptoms of ovarian cancer; and


WHEREAS, the Board further wishes to recognize and honor the thousands of women who battle valiantly against the disease and to further encourage them in their daily struggles.

NOW THEREFORE, in commendation of all the women and their families fighting the disease, the Board hereby proclaims September, 2013 as Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month in Sycamore Township and the Board calls upon all citizens, agencies, organizations, health care providers and research institutions to raise ovarian cancer awareness and continue helping Americans live longer, healthier lives.

PASSED, unanimously this 18th day of September, 2013.



Thomas J. Weidman, President



Cliff W. Bishop, Vice President



Dennis W. Connor, Trustee

ATTEST:



Robert C. Porter III, Fiscal Officer