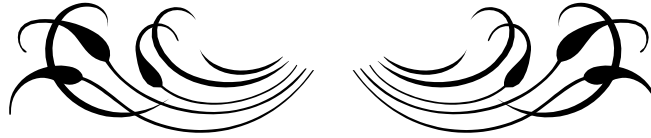


Office of the Mayor

Commerce City, Colorado

# Proclamation



*WHEREAS, the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life was created in the mid-1980s by colorectal surgeon Dr. Gordy Klatt, who sought to increase the funds for his local society and demonstrate his support for patients; and*

*WHEREAS, Dr. Klatt, an avid marathoner, spent 24 hours circling the Baker Stadium track at the University of Puget Sound, surrounded by nearly 300 friends, family members and patients who supported him during his 83 mile journey; and*

*WHEREAS, Dr. Klatt raised \$27,000 that day to fight cancer and months later created the first community relay event in Tacoma, which raised \$33,000; and*

*WHEREAS, Dr. Klatt's vision became Relay for Life, with over 5,200 events in the United States and in the past 28 years has raised more than \$4.5 billion to save lives; and*

*WHEREAS, Relay for Life demonstrates how one person can make a big difference; and*

*WHEREAS, the City Council of Commerce City will participate as a team in the 2012 Relay For Life event at Prairie View High School, which begins at 3 p.m. on Saturday, July 28, to help raise awareness of and funding for cancer research.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, on behalf of City Council, hereby support the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life event and encourages all citizens to participate in the relay and support the city council team.*

*In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused this seal to be affixed.*

CITY OF COMMERCE CITY, COLORADO

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Mayor Sean Ford

ATTEST:

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Laura J. Bauer, CMC, City Clerk

Date: \_\_\_\_\_