

Town of Kiawah Island Proclamation

WHEREAS, while considerable progress has been made in the fight against breast cancer, it remains the most commonly diagnosed cancer and the second leading cause of death among women in the United States; and

WHEREAS, each year it is estimated that more than 220,000 women in the United States will be diagnosed with breast cancer and more than 40,000 will die as a result of the disease; and

WHEREAS, National Breast Cancer Awareness Month is dedicated to increasing public knowledge about the importance of early detection of breast cancer by collaborating with several national public service organizations, professional associations, and government agencies who work together to ensure that the National Breast Cancer Awareness Month message is heard by thousands of women and their families; and

WHEREAS, during this month, we reaffirm our commitment to support breast cancer research and to educate all citizens about its risk factors, detection and treatment; and

WHEREAS, this October, we recognize breast cancer survivors, those battling the disease, their families and friends who are a tireless source of love and encouragement, and applaud the efforts of our medical professionals and researchers working to find a cure for this deadly disease; and

WHEREAS, Breast Cancer Awareness Month is an opportunity to unite all citizens in our community to prevent breast cancer deaths through increased education and regular screening;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Charles R. Lipuma, Mayor of the Town of Kiawah Island, South Carolina, do proclaim **October 2014** as "**Breast Cancer Awareness Month**" in the Town of Kiawah Island.

***The Honorable Charles R. Lipuma, Mayor
Town of Kiawah Island, South Carolina***