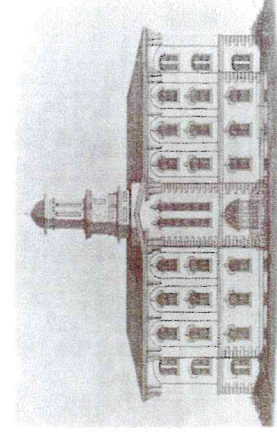


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### C.A.S.U.A.L. DAY

**WHEREAS**, COLON AND RECTAL CANCERS ARE THE MOST FREQUENTLY DIAGNOSED CANCERS IN NORTHEAST PENNSYLVANIA; AND

**WHEREAS**, INCIDENCE RATES ARE ABOUT 15% HIGHER AND MORTALITY RATES ARE ABOUT 12% HIGHER THAN THE U.S. AVERAGE; AND

**WHEREAS**, ABOUT 75% OF NEW CASES OF COLON AND RECTAL CANCER OCCUR IN PATIENTS OF AVERAGE RISK; AND

**WHEREAS**, MORE THAN 1,050 NEW CASES ARE DIAGNOSED, AND ABOUT 380 PATIENTS DIE FROM COLON CANCER EACH YEAR IN THE COUNTIES OF CARBON, LACKAWANNA, LEHIGH, LUZERNE, MONROE, NORTHAMPTON, PIKE, SUSQUEHANNA, WAYNE, AND WYOMING COMBINED; AND

**WHEREAS**, THE **NORTHEAST REGIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE** HAS BEEN EASING THE BURDEN OF CANCER IN NORTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA FOR 19 YEARS THROUGH RESEARCH, EDUCATION, AND SURVIVORSHIP PROGRAMS SPECIFICALLY DESIGNED TO MEET THE UNIQUE NEEDS OF OUR REGION; AND

**WHEREAS**, ON **THURSDAY, MARCH 31, 2011**, THE **NORTHEAST REGIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE** WILL SPONSOR THE 7<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL **C.A.S.U.A.L. (COLON CANCER AWARENESS SAVES UNLIMITED ADULT LIVES) DAY** TO INCREASE COLON CANCER AWARENESS THROUGHOUT NORTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA; AND

**WHEREAS**, **C.A.S.U.A.L. DAY** IS ESTABLISHED BY THE FAMILY OF HELEN PHILLIPS, WHO FOUGHT A COURAGEOUS BATTLE AGAINST COLON CANCER AND DIED IN THE SUMMER OF 2002.

**NOW, THEREFORE, WE,**

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF WYOMING DO HEREBY URGE RESIDENTS OF WYOMING COUNTY AND ALL OF NORTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA TO BE SCREENED FOR EARLY DETECTION OF COLON CANCER, PARTICIPATE AND SUPPORT THE **NORTHEAST REGIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE** IN ITS COLON CANCER AWARENESS EFFORTS, AND DESIGNATE **MARCH 31, 2011** AS **C.A.S.U.A.L. DAY IN WYOMING COUNTY.**



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