

Salt Lake County

Whereas, as part of Survivors at the Summit, thousands of cancer survivors, their caregivers and supporters have been climbing summits to honor and recognize those with cancer for over 25 years; and

Whereas, you are a cancer survivor from the moment you hear the words “you have cancer”; and

Whereas, cancer survivors across our community continue to be impacted by a cancer diagnosis for years after detection and often for the rest of their lives; and

Whereas, the number of cancer survivors in our community continues to increase as cancer diagnoses increase and treatment prolongs many of their lives; and

Whereas, cancer does not discriminate, and cancer survivors come from all across our community representing all age groups, races, genders and orientations; and

Whereas, in addition to the debilitating impacts of their disease and treatment, many cancer survivors also face barriers to their physical, mental, emotional, financial, spiritual and social health as well as affordable access to quality oncology-specific care, support and education, and the community infrastructure services they need; and

Whereas, despite all of these barriers and challenges they face, cancer survivors remain resilient and committed to living with and overcoming their diagnosis and to being healthy and well and to living life as fully as possible given their situation; and

Whereas, the words “I have cancer” should never be construed to mean “I can’t sir”; and

Whereas, hundreds of people of all abilities are conquering summits of all elevations across Salt Lake County while carrying yellow Tribute Flags to honor those among us both living with and lost to cancer as part of Survivors at the Summit this year,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Council Member Suzanne Harrison, along with Council Members Ann Granato, Dea Theodore, Aimee Winder Newton, Arlyn Bradshaw and Council Chair Laurie Stringham, do hereby join with our entire community in proclaiming Sunday, August 4, 2024, as

Survivors at the Summit Day

and urge community and faith leaders, cancer care advocates and providers, educators, public officials, and all people of Salt Lake County to recognize and remember the cancer survivors both present and past that have inspired us with their resilience in the face of unimaginable hardship and their passion and commitment to living fully and courageously with their diagnosis.

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