



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, carcinoid cancer is the result of changes in the gastrointestinal system which cause neuroendocrine cells to grow abnormally and form slow-growing, microscopic tumors, which, if untreated, can expand and create numerous serious symptoms and even cause death; and

WHEREAS, carcinoid cancer is commonly misdiagnosed due to the symptomatic similarities to other maladies, including Irritable Bowel Syndrome, anxiety, and Crohns disease; and

WHEREAS, the symptoms of carcinoid cancer include abdominal pain, swelling of the skin around the face and neck, wheezing, upset stomach, and some symptoms of heart failure, including breathlessness; and

WHEREAS, by raising public awareness of carcinoid cancer, the State of Colorado seeks to minimize the devastating effects of the illness among Coloradans; and

WHEREAS, the Caring for Carcinoid Foundation and Poudre Valley Cancer Treatment and Research Center are committed to supporting carcinoid research and fostering excellence in cancer care; and

WHEREAS, the Fourth Annual Run For Hope 5K will be held on July 26, 2008 to raise support for the Caring for Carcinoid Foundation and the Poudre Valley Cancer Treatment and Research Center;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Doug Hutchinson, Mayor of the City of Fort Collins, do hereby proclaim July 2008 as

CARCINOID CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

and encourage the citizens of Fort Collins to become aware of this devastating disease and to participate in support for research to find a cure.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the City of Fort Collins this 15th day of July, A.D. 2008.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk