

Proclamation

NATIONAL HOSPICE PALLIATIVE CARE MONTH – NOVEMBER 2014

WHEREAS, Hospice and palliative care empower people to live as fully as possible, surrounded and supported by family and loved ones, despite serious and life-limiting illness; and

WHEREAS, Hospice and palliative care bring patients and family caregivers the highest quality care delivered by an interdisciplinary team of skilled professionals that includes physicians, nurses, social workers, therapists, counselors, health aides, spiritual care providers and others who make the wishes of each patient and family a priority; and

WHEREAS, More than 400,000 trained volunteers contribute 19 million hours of service to hospice program annually; and

WHEREAS, Every year more than 1.5 million Americans living with life-limiting illness, and their families, received care from the nation's hospice programs in communities throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, In November, added efforts are made to encourage people to learn more about options of care and to share their wishes with family, loved ones and their healthcare professions; and

WHEREAS, In Sandy Springs, hospice and palliative care is available to individuals and their families through a wide range of organizations.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Russell Paul, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Sandy Springs, and on behalf of the City Council, proclaim November 2014 as National Palliative Care Month in the City of Sandy Springs.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the City of Sandy Springs, Georgia, on this 4th day of November 2014

Russell K Paul,

Mayor