

October 31, 2023

President Joseph R. Biden Jr.  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave, NW  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

We, the undersigned organizations, write to express our strong support for the establishment of National Cancer Prevention and Early Detection Awareness Month in April 2024. We believe that such a designation would be a critical step toward reducing the impact of cancer on individuals, families and communities across our nation. Working together, we can make significant progress in reducing the cancer death rate by at least half, preventing more than four million cancer deaths by 2047, and improve the experience of people touched by cancer, as envisioned by the Cancer Moonshot.

Cancer continues to be one of the most significant health challenges facing our country, impacting millions of lives every year. We also know that a significant proportion of cancer cases can be prevented, and many others can be detected at an earlier, more treatable stage through proactive measures, including screenings, lifestyle changes and education.

The declaration of National Cancer Prevention and Early Detection Awareness Month would serve several important purposes:

1. **Raise Awareness:** Provide a platform to educate the public about the importance of cancer prevention through healthy behaviors and early detection through routine screenings.
2. **Highlight Progress:** Acknowledge the tremendous progress made in cancer research and the development of innovative prevention and early detection strategies, driven forward by the Cancer Moonshot.
3. **Inspire Action:** Empower individuals to take control of their health by adopting healthier behaviors and getting routine screenings and encourage corporations and organizations to support their employees in these actions
4. **Mobilize Resources:** Encourage public and private investment in cancer prevention and early detection initiatives, leading to improved health outcomes and reduced health care costs.

As advocates, health care professionals, researchers and organizations who are steadfastly committed to preventing cancer and changing what it means to receive a cancer diagnosis, we firmly believe that the designation of National Cancer Prevention and Early Detection Awareness Month would improve the lives of Americans. It would honor the efforts of those working tirelessly to better the health of our citizens and send a clear message that the United States is dedicated to reducing the cancer burden in our nation and around the world.

We kindly request your support in officially proclaiming April as National Cancer Prevention and Early Detection Awareness Month. We are ready and willing to work with your administration to make this initiative a reality and to ensure its success. Together, we can take this meaningful step toward realizing the Cancer Moonshot goal of ending cancer as we know it.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Prevent Cancer Foundation

1 in 9 Long Island Breast Cancer Action Coalition  
Academy of Medicine of Cleveland & Northern Ohio  
AliveandKick'n  
American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network  
Arkansas Nurses Association  
Association of American Cancer Institutes  
Atlanta Cancer Care Foundation  
Bella Bowman Foundation  
Blue Faery: The Adrienne Wilson Liver Cancer Association  
Brem Foundation to Defeat Breast Cancer  
California Black Health Network  
Cancer Support Community  
Cancer Wellness for Life  
Capitol Grange  
Carolina Cancer Foundation  
Center for Patient Advocacy Leaders  
Chicago Hispanic Health Coalition  
Chronic Disease Coalition  
Coalition of Hematology and Oncology Practices  
Colon Cancer Coalition  
Colon Cancer Prevention Project  
Colorectal Cancer Alliance  
Equal Hope  
Fight Colorectal Cancer  
Florida Osteopathic Medical Association  
FORCE: Facing Our Risk of Cancer Empowered  
Fundacion Latinoamericana De Accion Social, Inc.  
Georgia Center for Oncology Research and Education  
Gilda's Club South Florida  
Girls Inc. of the Pacific Northwest  
Global Colon Cancer Association  
Global Liver Institute  
GO2 for Lung Cancer  
Health Resources in Action  
HealthyWomen  
Hitting Cancer Below the Belt  
Hoosier Cancer Research Network  
Hope for Stomach Cancer  
HunterSeven Foundation  
Idaho Society of Clinical Oncology  
Indiana Health Industry Forum  
Indiana Hospice & Palliative Care Organization

Kintegra Health  
Laura Crandall Brown Foundation  
League of Minority Voters  
Long Term Care Community Coalition  
LUNgevity Foundation  
Lupus and Allied Diseases Association  
Maryland Latinos Unidos (MLU)  
Maryland State Grange  
McCormick Family  
Melanoma Research Foundation  
Men's Health Network  
Michelle's Place Cancer Resource Center  
Moffitt Cancer Center  
National Hispanic Medical Association  
National Pancreas Foundation  
Nevada Chronic Care Collaborative  
New Hampshire Public Health Association  
Nueva Vida  
Ohio Hematology Oncology Society  
Oklahoma Society of Clinical Oncology, Inc.  
Oncology Managers of Florida  
Panhandle Breast Health  
Partnership to Fight Chronic Disease  
Penn State Health  
Prostate Network  
Regarding Cancer  
Rev. John H. Parker Cancer Awareness Ministry  
Sharsheret  
South Dakota Biotech  
Susan G. Komen  
Teen Cancer America  
Texas Healthcare and Bioscience Institute  
The Mary Ruchalski Foundation  
Triage Cancer  
VAX 2 STOP CANCER  
Ventura County Hematology Oncology Specialists  
Virginia Breast Cancer Foundation  
Western North Carolina Colorectal Cancer Screening Initiative  
ZERO Prostate Cancer