



*Prince George's  
County Council Member  
Ingrid M. Turner  
(D) – District 4*

# NEWS

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**COUNTY COUNCIL DECLARES NOVEMBER "PANCREATIC CANCER AWARENESS MONTH"**

*Greenbelt resident committed to supporting a cure*

Prince George's County Council Member Ingrid M. Turner (D) – District 4, presented a Council Proclamation to Germaine Timmermans, a Greenbelt resident and member of the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network, during Council Session on Tuesday, November 10, 2009.

"Informing and educating the public about pancreatic cancer is so important," said Council Member Turner. "I was stationed in Japan when I received the call that my father was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer."

Ms. Timmermans was very appreciative to Council Member Turner for her support. "I really appreciate the proclamation. This is a cancer that has had very little attention and fewer resources drawn to it. This proclamation is a step forward and will help bring attention to save more lives"

Pancreatic cancer is a disease in which cancer cells form in the tissues of the pancreas, which is the deadliest cancer and the fourth leading cause of cancer death in the United States. There is no cure for pancreatic cancer and there have been no significant improvements in early detection, treatment methods, or survival rates in the last 30 years.



**Council Member Turner (D) – District 4, presents a proclamation to Ms. Germaine Timmermans, a resident of Greenbelt. Council Members Andrea Harrison - District 5, Council Member Eric Olson - District 3, Tony Knotts - District 8 and Will Campos - District 2 are also pictured.**

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