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**PROCLAMATION  
"SEYMOUR PINK DAY"**

**WHEREAS**, The Board of Selectmen of the Town of Seymour proclaim Wednesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2009, "SEYMOUR PINK DAY".

**WHEREAS**, Breast Cancer is a horrific disease both physically and emotionally. Although the numbers of new cases have fluctuated in recent years, the number of men and women in the State of Connecticut diagnosed with breast cancer is higher than the national rates. Of the 3.5 million people living in the State of Connecticut, the incidence rate for every 100,000 women is 129.9, nationally per 100,000 the rate is 117.7. The good news is Connecticut's mortality rate from breast cancer is slightly lower than the national figures. Insidiously breast cancer is not sexist; over 1,900 men are diagnosed each year.

**WHEREAS**, October has been designated National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. The goal of such a designation is to bring more awareness and education about this disease to the public. The name of our Town gives us a unique advantage in helping increase awareness of breast cancer.

**THEREFORE**, by proclaiming Wednesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2009 as "SEYMOUR PINK DAY", the Town of Seymour will be helping the community to raise awareness and asks that the residents of the Town of Seymour wear pink to support the fight for a cure for breast cancer.

Dated this 1<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2009 at Seymour, Connecticut.

By, First Selectman Robert J. Koskelowski and the Seymour Board of Selectmen.

