

Whereas: hospice care provides humane and comforting support for terminally-ill patients and their families, including pain control, palliative medical care, and social, emotional and spiritual services; and

Whereas: the mission of St. Anthony Hospice, sponsored by the Franciscan Sisters of Chicago, is to honor the dignity of life for each person that is served by embracing its values of respect, service, dedication, stewardship and joy; and

Whereas: nearly 68,000 professionals and 43,000 volunteers provide comforting and supportive hospice services to more than 744,000 patients and their families in an estimated 2,670 hospice programs throughout the United States; and

Whereas: there is a need to increase public discussion about advances in pain control and the care options available to individuals of all ages, races, and backgrounds who are at the end of life; and

Whereas: St. Anthony Hospice has joined the Hospice Association of America in declaring November 2006 as National Hospice Month, and are calling on all Americans to observe this occasion with appropriate ceremonies and activities;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that I, Charles Oberlie, Mayor, do hereby proclaim November, 2006 as:

NATIONAL HOSPICE MONTH

in the city of Michigan City and encourage the support and participation of all citizens in learning more about the hospice concept of care for the elderly, disabled, and infirm.

Dated this 30th Day of October, 2006

Charles E. Oberlie, Mayor
City of Michigan City

ATTEST:

Thomas F. Fedder, City Clerk

