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NEWS RELEASE

County Council Supports Relay For Life Event

Picton, ON – County Council has endorsed the annual Prince Edward County Relay for Life event to be held at the Picton fairgrounds on Friday, June 10, 2011.

The fundraising event, organized by the Canadian Cancer Society, will continue throughout the night until closing ceremonies at 7:00 a.m. There will be ongoing entertainment with over 700 participants, including over 140 cancer survivors anticipated, and the goal is to keep spirits up during the night. The organizers have committed to attempting to keep noise levels to a minimum, and have notified residents in the area between Johnson Street and the fairgrounds by means of a hand delivered letter. Council's support of the event will exempt the event from complaints under the Noise By-law.

"This is an event that deserves the support of the entire community," said Mayor Peter A. Mertens. "There are few of us that have not had cancer touch our lives in some way and this is our chance to stand together and fight back."

The Relay for Life operates in over 500 communities around the world and locally in Brighton, Belleville, Bancroft and Napanee. It is the largest fundraiser for cancer research and local support programs.

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For further information, contact Mayor Peter A. Mertens at 613-476-2148.