

**WHEREAS**, cancer is the second leading cause of death in the United States affecting the life of someone each of us knows; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1985, the first “Relay For Life” was started by Dr. Gordon Klatt in Tacoma, Washington to raise money and awareness for cancer survivors and cancer research; and

**WHEREAS**, through the efforts of the American Cancer Society this event is now a nationwide event; and

**WHEREAS**, this annual event celebrates the lives of cancer survivors and seeks to educate participants and attendees about this disease, advances in cancer research, and all of the programs and services offered by the American Cancer Society; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2001 over 3,100 communities participated while raising \$210 million dollars for cancer awareness and research; and

**WHEREAS**, 26 teams have committed to this fund raising effort by participating in an 18 hour endurance walk at the Cooper City Sportsplex on March 1-2, 2002.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED** that the Town Council of the Town of Davie hereby proclaims Friday, March 1 and Saturday, March 2, 2002 as;

**“RELAY FOR LIFE WEEKEND”**

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand this 21<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2002.

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**Harry Venis, Mayor**