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**NCOIL STAFF PARTICIPATED IN "NO-SHAVE NOVEMBER"
FOR FOURTH CONSECUTIVE YEAR**
Effort Raised Funds & Awareness for Cancer Research



Manasquan, NJ – NCOIL CEO Commissioner Tom Considine, General Counsel Will Melofchik, and Executive Director Paul Penna participated in "No-Shave November" for the fourth consecutive year.

"For the past four years the NCOIL staff participated in No-Shave November and it has proven to be an itchy and somewhat unkempt success. As some of you know, I am a cancer survivor and sadly lost my mom to this disease. The fight against cancer has always been personally important, now more than ever" said Considine.

No-Shave November's mission is to raise funds for cancer research and treatment, and to educate the population about preventive measures. Starting with the surviving children of one father who died of cancer in November 2007, the movement has since spread around the globe. Participants put down their razors for 30 days each year to join the fight against cancer. This year, NCOIL Support Services made contributions to the Melanoma Research Foundation (MRF) and the Prostate Cancer Foundation (PCF).

The MRF is the leading melanoma community to transform melanoma from one of the deadliest cancers to one of the most treatable. Melanoma diagnoses are increasing at epidemic rates, claiming more 7,000 American lives every year. It is the deadliest form of skin cancer. However, nine out of ten cases are considered to be preventable. The MCF's mission is to eradicate



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melanoma by accelerating medical research while educating to and advocating for the melanoma community.

The PCF funds the world's most promising research to improve the prevention, detection, and treatment of prostate cancer and ultimately save patients' lives. Right now, one man dies every 17 minutes from prostate cancer in the United States. PCF's goal is to end all deaths from prostate cancer by raising awareness and funding urgent cutting-edge research.

"No-Shave November raises money for a great cause," said NSS Executive Director Paul Penna. "It's a fun way to grow awareness by embracing our hair, which many cancer patients lose. The cause is worth getting a little scruffy."

NCOIL General Counsel, Will Melofchik, said, "This is my fourth year supporting this important cause, and it's always great to be a part of this collective effort to help find a cure. All of us are affected one way or another. I will gladly bring attention to my beard if it means bringing attention to this disease."

The No-Shave November campaign has successfully raised over millions to combat this disease. Every dollar raised brings us one step closer in our efforts to fund cancer research and education, help prevent the disease, and aid those fighting the battle. Each whisker grown allows us to embrace our hair, which many cancer patients lose during treatment.

More information on No-Shave November can be found at:

<https://no-shave.org/>

More information on the Melanoma Research Foundation can be found here:

<https://melanoma.org/>

More information on the Prostate Cancer Foundation can be found here:

<https://www.pcf.org/>

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