

PROCLAMATION

Whereas: Dr. Judah Folkman was a professor at Harvard Medical School

and founder and director of the vascular biology program at

Children's Hospital Boston; AND

Whereas: He arrived in Boston in 1953, graduated from Harvard Medical

School in 1957, worked at Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston City Hospital, and, at age 34, became chief of surgery at

Children's Hospital; AND

Whereas: Dr. Folkman was a pioneer in the study of angiogenesis and

persisted in the face of daunting challenges and doubters; AND

Whereas: His work has led to new treatments for cancer and far beyond,

reaching millions of patients; AND

Whereas: Dr. Folkman mentored young scientists and recognized their

talents and contributions publicly; AND

Whereas: Dr. Folkman taught others about the importance of asking big

questions and pursuing new ideas; AND

Whereas: With Dr. Folkman's passing, Boston has lost a treasured

innovator, scientist, surgeon, teacher, friend, and colleague, NOW

I, Thomas M. Menino, Mayor of the City of Boston, do hereby

declare January 20, 2008

Dr. Judah Folkman Day

in the City of Boston.

Mayor

Therefore,