

## **COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA**

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY 1-7, 2011 AS CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARNESS WEEK IN SANTABARBARA COUNTY **CALIFORNIA** 

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection report cancer is the leading cause of death by disease among children in the United States. This tragic disease is detected in nearly 15,000 of our nation's young people each and every year, and;

WHEREAS, founded nearly twenty years ago by Steven Firestein, a member of the philanthropic Max Factor family, the American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc. and sister organization, Kids Cancer Connection, Inc. are dedicated to helping these children and their families, and;

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection provide a variety of vital patient psychosocial services to children undergoing cancer treatment at Cottage Children's Hospital: Department of Pediatrics; Division of Hematology/Oncology in Santa Barbara, as well as participating hospitals throughout the country, thereby enhancing the quality of life for these children and their families, and;

WHEREAS, through its uniquely sensitive and comforting Magical Caps for Kids program, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection distributes thousands of beautifully handmade caps and decorated baseball caps to children who want to protect their heads following the trauma of chemotherapy, surgery and/or radiation treatments, and;

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection also sponsor nationwide Courageous Kid recognition award ceremonies and hospital celebrations in honor of a child's determination and bravery to fight the battle against childhood cancer.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors proclaims May 1-7, 2011 as CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARNESS WEEK IN SANTABARBARA COUNTY.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this  $3^{rd}$  day of May 2011 by unanimous vote of all members present.

