

Y OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER AS

CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children and the Kids Cancer Connection reports that cancer is the leading cause of death by disease among U.S. children between infancy and age 15. This tragic disease is detected in nearly 15,000 of our country's young people each and every year; and

WHEREAS, one in five of our nation's children loses his or her battle with cancer. Many infants, children and teens may suffer from long-term effects of comprehensive treatment, including secondary cancers; and

WHEREAS, founded more than twenty years ago by Steven Firestein, a member of the philanthropic Max Factor cosmetics family, the American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc. and 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 The City of Hope, Santa Barbara Cottage Children's Hospital, Valley Children's Hospital, as well as participating hospitals throughout the country, thereby enhancing the quality of life for these children and their families; and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection also sponsor Courageous Kid recognition awards, family sailing, community get well cards and hospital celebrations in honor of a child's determination and bravery to fight the battle against childhood cancer; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors proclaims the month of September 2016 as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month in Santa Barbara County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 13th day of September 2016, by unanimous vote of all members present.

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