

## Y OF SANTA BARBARA

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER-2017 AS CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS **MONTH IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY** 

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection report cancer is the leading cause of death by disease among U.S. children between infancy and age 15. This tragic disease is detected in more than 16,000 of our country's young people each and every year; and

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

WHEREAS, founded nearly twenty-five 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 National Medical Center, 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 programs, pet assisted therapy, handmade 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 2017 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 12<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2017 by unanimous vote of all members present.

Supervisor - 1st District

Supervisor - 2nd District

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Supervisor - 4th District

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