

# PROCLAMATION

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING

## September 2022 as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month

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**WHEREAS**, childhood cancer is the leading cause of death by disease in children as 1 in 285 children in the United States will be diagnosed by their 20th birthday; and

**WHEREAS**, there are approximately 40,000 children on active treatment at any given time; and

**WHEREAS**, during the month of September, we remember the young lives taken too soon, stand with the families facing childhood cancer today, and rededicate ourselves to combating this terrible illness; and

**WHEREAS**, approximately one half of childhood cancer families rate the associated financial toxicity due to out-of-pocket expenses as considerable to severe; and

**WHEREAS**, hundreds of non-profit organizations at the local and national level including the American Childhood Cancer Organization are helping children with cancer and their families cope through educational, emotional and financial support; and

**WHEREAS**, researchers and healthcare professionals work diligently dedicating their expertise to treat and cure children with cancer; and

**WHEREAS**, too many children are affected by this deadly disease and more must be done to raise awareness and find a cure;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED** that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby designates the month of September as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month and encourages all citizens to join in reaffirming the commitment to fighting childhood cancer.

*Dated:*

SUPERVISORS:

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*DON HORSLEY, PRESIDENT*

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Attest:

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Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors