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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DAVE PINE

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Attest:

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Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors