

# PROCLAMATION

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING SEPTEMBER 2014 AS

## CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

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**WHEREAS**, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection reports cancer is the leading cause of death by disease among U.S. children between infancy and age 15, and this tragic disease is detected in more than 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, and many infants, children and teens will suffer from long-term effects of comprehensive treatment, including secondary cancers; and

**WHEREAS**, founded over twenty years ago by Steven Firestein, a member of the philanthropic Max Factor 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 provides a variety of vital patient psychosocial services to children undergoing cancer treatment at Lucile Packard Children's Hospital at Stanford in Palo Alto, UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital Oakland, 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 sponsors 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 PROCLAIMED** that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, designates the month of September 2014 as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month.

**Dated: September 9, 2014**

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Attest:

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Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors