

Proclaiming September 2019 Childhood Cancer Awareness Month

Throughout the United States, the month of September is recognized as National Childhood Cancer Awareness Month to bring awareness to pediatric cancer which remains the leading cause of death by disease among children and adolescents under the age of 21. According to the National Cancer Institute, in the U.S., 16,000 children and adolescents are diagnosed with cancer each year and nearly 1,800 die of the disease. We continue to see advances in cancer research and treatment, but only 4 percent of cancer research funding is currently allocated for pediatrics. Throughout the month of September, we remember the young lives taken too soon, stand with the families facing childhood cancer today, and focus on treatment for the illness.

I, THEREFORE MOVE that the Board of Supervisors proclaim the month of September as “Childhood Cancer Awareness Month” throughout the County of Los Angeles, to raise awareness of pediatric cancer and encourage all County residents and interested groups to participate in Childhood Cancer Awareness Month activities being held throughout the month.

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