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AUGUST 4, 2026

Proclaiming September 2026 as “Childhood Cancer Awareness Month” in Los Angeles County

National Childhood Cancer Awareness Month is recognized every September across the United States to bring awareness to pediatric cancer, the leading cause of disease-related death among children from infancy to age fifteen. Each year, more than 16,000 children in the country. are diagnosed with cancer and an estimated 400,000 children and adolescents are affected globally. Nationally, one in five children diagnosed with cancer will not survive and many who do, face long-term effects from intensive treatments, including the risk of secondary cancers.

Kids Cancer Connection, Inc., founded more than 30 years ago, is committed to supporting pediatric cancer patients and their families. Together, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection, in collaboration with Lions Club International, provide essential psychosocial services to pediatric patients receiving treatment at facilities throughout Los Angeles County, including Children’s Hospital Los Angeles, The City of Hope National Medical Center, UCLA Mattel Children’s Hospital, Los Angeles General Medical Center, Miller Children’s and Women’s Hospital Long Beach, Harbor-UCLA Medical Center, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, and UCLA Santa

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The American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection also sponsor hospital toy distributions, Home and Hospital Instruction, family sailing, sensory gardening, Kid’s Club, pet-assisted therapy, Laughternoon: Laughter is Healing, It’s Magic: Nothing is Impossible, KCC Supercar Experience, and hospital celebrations in honor of children’s determination and bravery to fight the battle against childhood cancer. Los Angeles County is proud to host these world-class medical facilities and the dedicated organizations that care for and uplift pediatric cancer patients and their families throughout their journey.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors proclaim September 2026 as “Childhood Cancer Awareness Month” in Los Angeles County to help spread awareness and education on early childhood cancer detection and strive toward the end of childhood cancer.

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RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO PROCLAIM CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection report cancer is the leading cause of death by disease among children in the United States between infancy and age fifteen. This tragic disease is detected in more than 16,000 of our country's young people every year. An estimated 400,000 children and adolescents are diagnosed globally with cancer each year.

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

WHEREAS, founded over thirty years ago by Steven Firestein, a member of the philanthropic branch of the Max Factor cosmetics family, the American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc., Kids Cancer Connection, Inc. in collaboration with Lions Clubs International are dedicated to helping these children and their families.

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 Children's Hospital Los Angeles, The City of Hope National Medical Center, UCLA Mattel Children's Hospital, Los Angeles General Medical Center, Miller Children's and Women's Hospital Long Beach, Harbor-UCLA Medical Center, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, UCLA Santa Monica Medical Center, as well as participating hospitals throughout the country, thereby enhancing the quality of life for these children and their families.

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection also sponsor hospital toy distributions, Home and Hospital Instruction, family sailing, sensory gardening, Kid's Club, pet-assisted therapy, Laughternoon: Laughter is Healing, It's Magic: Nothing is Impossible, KCC Supercar Experience, and hospital celebrations in honor of children's determination and bravery to fight the battle against childhood cancer.

WHEREAS, Los Angeles County is proud to host these world-class medical facilities and the dedicated organizations that care for and uplift pediatric cancer patients and their families throughout their journey.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors proclaims September 2026 as "Childhood Cancer Awareness Month" in Los Angeles County to help spread awareness and education on early childhood cancer detection and strive toward the end of childhood cancer.

The foregoing Resolution was on the __ day of _____ 2026, adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies and authorities for which said Board so acts.

EDWARD YEN, Executive Officer-Clerk
of the Board of Supervisors of the
County of Los Angeles

By: _____
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
DAWYN R. HARRISON
County Counsel

By:  _____
Deputy