



## PROCLAMATION

### Recognizing September as 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 U.S. children between infancy and age 15, with this tragic disease 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 cosmetics 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 provide 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, and many other 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 sponsor Courageous Kid Recognition Award ceremonies, community get well cards, and hospital celebrations in honor of a child's determination and bravery to fight the battle against childhood cancer,

**Now, therefore, be it hereby proclaimed by the Town Council of  
The Town of Fairfax that the month of September 2015 is  
Childhood Cancer Awareness Month in the Town of Fairfax.**

Barbara Coler, Mayor

AGENDA ITEM # 4