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CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection report cancer is the leading cause of death by disease among United States children between infancy and age 15. 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. 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 Valley Children's Hospital Central in Madera, Lucile Packard Children's Hospital at Stanford, Kaiser Permanente Medical Center, 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 sponsor Courageous Kid recognition awards, family sailing, 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 RESOLVED THAT THE SAN BENITO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS does hereby proclaim the month of September as "Childhood Cancer Awareness Month" in San Benito County.

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Robert Rivas, Chair
San Benito County Board of Supervisors