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### PROCLAMATION

#### HONORING JACOB'S HEART CHILDREN'S CANCER SUPPORT SERVICES AND DECLARATION OF CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

**WHEREAS**, the Character of our community is revealed in how we treat our most vulnerable; and

**WHEREAS**, each year, 1 in 285 children in our Community are being diagnosed with cancer; and

**WHEREAS**, cancer remains the leading cause of death by disease in children, killing more children than asthma, diabetes, cystic fibrosis, congenital anomalies, and AIDS combined; and

**WHEREAS**, families of children with cancer in the County of San Benito receive essential services from Jacob's Heart Children's Cancer Support Services, a local organization that has gained national awards and recognition for improving the quality of life for hundreds of local children with cancer and thousands of their family members; and

**WHEREAS**, Jacob's Heart holds the memories and honors the legacies of hundreds of children from our local community who have been lost to cancer, ensuring that their precious memories will never be forgotten; and

**WHEREAS**, the Oncology Department at Lucile Packard Children's Hospital at Stanford has worked closely with Jacob's Heart for the past 21 years as a trusted community partner in providing family-centered care that addresses the emotional, practical and financial struggles of families of children with cancer in San Benito County; and

**WHEREAS**, it is important for all San Benito County residents to recognize the impact of childhood cancer on families within our community and honor the lives of children in our community whose lives have been cut short by cancer; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the San Benito County Board of Supervisors, do hereby declare September as "Childhood Cancer Awareness Month" in the County of San Benito and do hereby honor Jacob's Heart Children's Cancer Support Services for 21 years of outstanding support to our community and acknowledge the organization's contributions to Childhood Cancer Awareness Month, honoring children with cancer in our community.

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Mark Medina, Chairman  
San Benito County Board of Supervisors