



County of Sonoma

State of California

Date: November 1, 2022

Item Number: _____

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☐ 4/5 Vote Required

**Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma, State of California,
Proclaiming October 30 - November 5, 2022 as Childhood Cancer Awareness Week in Sonoma
County**

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. This tragic disease is detected in more than 16,000 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. An estimated 400,000 children and adolescents are diagnosed with cancer globally each and every year; and

Whereas, founded nearly 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. and Kids Cancer Connection, Inc. along with Lions Clubs International 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, UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital, Shriners Children's Northern California, Kaiser Permanente Medical Center in Sacramento, 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 toy distributions, family sailing programs, positive appearance programs, Laughternoon - Laughter is Healing, pet-assisted therapy, KCC Supercar Experience, educational programs and hospital celebrations in honor of a child's determination and bravery to fight the battle against childhood cancer.

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Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma proclaims October 30 – November 5, 2022 as Childhood Cancer Awareness Week in Sonoma County.

Supervisors:

Gorin:

Rabbitt:

Coursey:

Hopkins:

Gore:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

So Ordered.