Proclamation of the Board of Supervisors
of the County of El Dorado
Proclaiming September 2015 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. 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 Children's Hospital Central California in Madera, Lucile Packard Children's Hospital at Stanford, 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 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 RESOLVED,
The Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado hereby proclaims September 2015 as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month in El Dorado County.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting, held the 25th day of August, 2015.

Attest:
James S. Mitrisin
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
By_____   _____
Deputy Clerk   Brian K. Veerkamp, Chair, Board of Supervisors