



## Proclamation

### OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO Recognizing the Month of September, 2014, as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month

**WHEREAS**, 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**, a cancer diagnosis may cause children of all ages to experience fear, shame, confusion and loneliness and can inhibit normal development as well as take a large toll on the family and social network; and,

**WHEREAS**, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection, among many other collaborative agencies and sponsors, 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 in the region, including Kaiser Permanente, Sacramento, and throughout the country, thereby enhancing the quality of life for these children and their families; and,

**WHEREAS**, it is imperative that there be greater public awareness of this health issue and with this proclamation it is hoped more can always be done to increase awareness and activity at the local, state and national levels.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED**, that the Board of Supervisors, for the County of El Dorado, does herewith proclaim the month of **September, 2014, as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month**.

**Passed** by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held the 26<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2014.

**Attest:**

James S. Mitrising  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
by:

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Deputy Clerk

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Chair, Board of Supervisors