## PROCLAMATION

Childhood Cancer Awareness Month

## September 2023

- WHEREAS: September is officially recognized internationally as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month; and,
- WHEREAS: The most recent data shows that cancer remains the leading cause of disease-related death in children; and,
- WHEREAS: The most recent data shows that incidence rates of childhood cancer are increasing; and,
- WHEREAS: Cancer in children affects aspects of their physical, emotional, and social development, as well as their family and school life, effects which research shows are long-lasting; and,
- WHEREAS: Childcan believes childhood cancer must be designated a child health priority, and that support services for families are critical; and,
- WHEREAS: Childcan raises awareness and funds to provide personalized, responsive, and compassionate programs and services to families facing the childhood cancer journey from diagnosis, through treatment, post-treatment care, or bereavement and,
- WHEREAS: Organizations which support families dealing with childhood cancer are working together to raise awareness of this disease and its devastating effects, as well as raising funds to support the affected families and children; and,
- WHEREAS: Raising awareness and funds will help these families and children deal with the emotional and financial toll

 THEREFORE: I, \_\_\_\_\_\_, Mayor of \_\_\_\_\_\_, do hereby proclaim September 2023

 Childhood Cancer Awareness Month in \_\_\_\_\_\_.