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# Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

**IN THE MATTER OF DECLARING SEPTEMBER 2016 AS  
CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH IN CONTRA  
COSTA COUNTY**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2016/498**

**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 Lucile Packard Children's Hospital at Stanford in Palo Alto, UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital Oakland, and Kaiser Permanente Medical Center, 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 awards, family sailing, 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** that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County does hereby declare September, 2016 as

## *Childhood Cancer Awareness Month*

in Contra Costa County and thank and honor the work of all organizations and agencies such as the American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc., Kids Cancer Connection, Inc., and the Contra Costa Health Services Department who are dedicated to helping our youngest cancer patients in all aspects of their care.

**PASSED** by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors members present this 13<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2016.

  
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Chair,  
District II Supervisor

  
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District I Supervisor

  
KAREN MITCHOFF

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MARY N. PIEPHO

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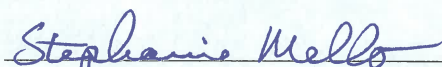
District V Supervisor



I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown:

ATTESTED: September 13, 2016

DAVID TWA, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and County Administrator

By  Deputy