



City of Mission Viejo

Proclamation

A Proclamation of the City Council of the City of Mission Viejo
Proclaiming September 2016, to Be

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 children in the United States; and

Whereas, this tragic disease is detected in nearly 15,000 of our nation's young people each and every year; and

Whereas, founded over 20 years ago by Steven Firestein, a member of the philanthropic Max Factor family, the American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc. and sister organization, Kids Cancer Connection, Inc. are dedicated to helping these children and their families; and

Whereas, one in five of our nation's children loses his or her battle with cancer and many infants, children and teens will suffer from long-term effects of comprehensive treatment, including secondary cancers; 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 Orange County in Orange, Miller Children's Hospital at Long Beach Memorial 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 nationwide Courageous Kid recognition award ceremonies and hospital celebrations in honor of a child's determination and bravery to fight the battle against childhood cancer.

Now, therefore, I, Frank Ury, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Mission Viejo and on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim September 2016, to be **Childhood Cancer Awareness Month** in Mission Viejo and do call upon all citizens to continue our strong commitment to preventing, treating, and ultimately curing cancer.

September 1, 2016

Frank Ury, Mayor