



City of Bethel Proclamation

Proclaiming the week of October 18, 2015 Childhood Cancer Awareness Week in Bethel

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 nearly 15,000 of our country's young people each and every year.

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 Providence Alaska Medical Center in Anchorage, 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 presentations, 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 Bethel City Council proclaims the week of October 18, 2015 Childhood Cancer Awareness Week in Bethel.

IN OFFICIAL RECOGNITION WHEREOF, I hereby affix my signature on this 13th day of October, 2015.

Richard Robb, Mayor

Attest:

Lori Strickler, City Clerk