

Mystic Force Foundation - Childhood Cancer Awareness Month Proclamation

WHEREAS, September is National Childhood Cancer Awareness Month in honor of children whose lives have been lost and those irrevocably impacted by this terrible illness, and to strengthen the nation's resolve to search for a cure; and

WHEREAS, Cancer is the leading cause of death by disease among U.S. children between infancy and 15 years of age; and

WHEREAS, One in every 260 children in the U.S. will be diagnosed with cancer before the age of 20; and

WHEREAS, Childhood Cancers cross all racial, ethnic, geographic, and socio-economic backgrounds, and each year tens of thousands of children face the battle of cancer with incredible bravery and inspiring hope; and

WHEREAS, While progress has been made against some childhood cancers, cure rates for many forms of Childhood Cancer remain less than 50%, with the incidence of Childhood Cancers increasing at a more rapid rate than any other age group; and

WHEREAS, This disease not only affects the child diagnosed with cancer, but also their entire support network of devoted parents, grandparents, loved ones and friends; and

WHEREAS, The City of Doral recognizes the devastating impact that this disease has on our community and the importance of increased research of Childhood Cancer; and

WHEREAS, Especially during September, we recognize that the challenges for these children are shared by countless dedicated healthcare professionals, organizations, charities, and parent advocacy groups which support patients and families by offering treatment, advice, encouragement, hope, financial assistance, and tirelessly work to lift the spirits of children suffering from cancer.