

Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

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. This tragic disease is detected in more than 15,000 of our nation's young people each and every year; and

WHEREAS, founded over twenty 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, 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 Memorial Hospital in Chicago, Comer Children's Hospital at University of Chicago Medical Center, as well as participating hospitals throughout the country, thereby enhancing the quality of life for these children and their families; and

WHEREAS, through its uniquely sensitive and comforting Magical Caps for Kids program, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection distributes thousands of beautifully handmade caps and decorated baseball caps to children who want to protect their heads following the trauma of chemotherapy, surgery and/or radiation treatments; and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection also sponsor Courageous Kid Recognition Award ceremonies, community Get Well cards and hospital celebrations in honor of a child's determination and bravery to overcome life's obstacles.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Toni Preckwinkle, Cook County President, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, do hereby express my heartfelt gratitude and recognize that September is Childhood Cancer Awareness Month, and do express my hope that the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection enjoys every continued success in all of their future endeavors.