



Proclamation

CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH 2023

WHEREAS, Cancer is the leading cause of death by disease for children in America, with approximately 40,000 children in active treatment at any given time; and

WHEREAS, Globally, more than 400,000 children are diagnosed with cancer each year, and 80% of them reside in developing countries; and

WHEREAS, In developing countries, the five-year survival rate for children with cancer is just 7.4% compared to wealthier nations like the U.S., where the survival rate is nearly 80%; and

WHEREAS, While there have been great strides in cancer research and treatment over the last 60 years, it is important to know that one in 285 Americans will be diagnosed with cancer before their 20th birthday, and that two-thirds of the survivors will suffer from chronic health problems after treatment; and

WHEREAS, Providing support to the children and their families struggling with cancer helps them muster the strength to tackle another day, and locally, **CURE Bears for Hope and Love** does just that by donating bears and dolls to children undergoing treatment, and continuing to raise awareness of the trials of childhood cancer.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED, That I, William W. Moehle, Brighton Town Supervisor, and the members of the Town Council, do hereby recognize September as **Childhood Cancer Awareness Month** and remind others that even small gestures of kindness can make a child with cancer feel a more cared for and less alone.

Signed on this 13th day of September 2023.

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