Proclamation

Whereas, 1 in 285 children in the United States will be diagnosed with cancer by their 20th birthday; and

Whereas, each year, worldwide, more than 300,000 children and youth under the age of 19 are diagnosed with cancer; and

Whereas, childhood cancer causes chronic health conditions from the toxic effects of cancer treatment, including secondary cancers and other life-threatening illnesses; and

Whereas, the causes of childhood cancer are largely unknown and more study is needed to understand which treatments work best for children; and

Whereas, researchers and healthcare professionals work diligently, dedicating their expertise to treat and cure children with cancer; and

Whereas, children who are diagnosed with cancer, battle cancer with fierce determination and bravery every day.

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that I, Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft, Mayor of the City of Alameda, do hereby proclaim September 2019 as

Childhood Cancer Awareness Month

in the City of Alameda and ask all Alamedans to learn more about childhood cancers, vigorously support childhood cancer research, and do everything possible to support children with cancer and their families.

Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft
Mayor