

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, DESIGNATING SEPTEMBER 2024 AS "CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH" IN THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH.**

**WHEREAS**, September has been designated National Childhood Cancer Awareness Month to honor the children whose lives have been tragically cut short by cancer, and to acknowledge those whose lives have been irrevocably impacted by this devastating illness; and

**WHEREAS**, cancer is the leading cause of death by disease among children in the U.S. 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, with tens of thousands of children each year confronting this battle with remarkable bravery and hope; and

**WHEREAS**, while advancements have been made in the treatment of some childhood cancers, cure rates for many forms of childhood cancer remain below 50%, and the incidence of these cancers is rising at a faster rate than in any other age group; and

**WHEREAS**, childhood cancer impacts not only the affected child but also their entire network of family and friends, causing significant emotional and financial strain; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Miami Beach acknowledges the profound impact of childhood cancer on our community and recognizes the necessity for increased research and support; and

**WHEREAS**, this month, the Mayor and the City Commission wish to honor the countless dedicated healthcare professionals, organizations, charities, and parent advocacy groups who provide invaluable support to patients and families, offering guidance, encouragement, hope, and financial assistance, and who work tirelessly to uplift the spirits of children battling cancer.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA**, that the Mayor and City Commission hereby designate the month of September 2024 as "Childhood Cancer Awareness Month" in the City of Miami Beach.

**PASSED and ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

**ATTEST:**

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Steven Meiner, Mayor

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Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

(sponsored by Vice-Mayor Alex J. Fernandez)

APPROVED AS TO  
FORM & LANGUAGE  
& FOR EXECUTION

  
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City Attorney

9/4/2024  
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Date