

City of Key Colony Beach

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Proclamation Childhood Cancer Awareness Week September 25 – October 1, 2022

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection reports cancer is the leading cause of death by disease among U.S. children between infancy and age 15. This tragic disease is detected in more than 16,000 of our country's young people every year. An estimated 400,000 children and adolescents are diagnosed with cancer globally each year; and


WHEREAS, one in five of our nation's children loses his or her battle with cancer. Many infants, children and teens will suffer from long-term effects of comprehensive treatment, including secondary cancers; and

WHEREAS, founded nearly thirty years ago by Steven Firestein, a member of the philanthropic Max Factor cosmetics family, the American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc., Kids Cancer Connection, Inc. and Lions Clubs International, are dedicated to helping these children and their families; and

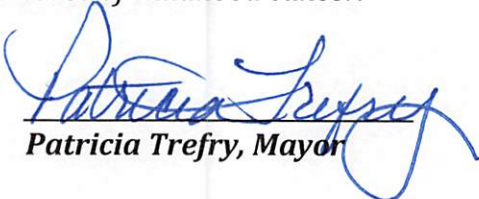
WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection provide a variety of vital patient psychosocial services to children undergoing cancer treatment at Nicklaus Children's Hospital in Miami, Baptist Health South Florida Miami Cancer Institute, UM Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center, Holtz Children's Hospital at the UM Jackson Memorial Medical Center, Miami Pediatric Hematology Oncology Associates, Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital in Hollywood, as well as participating hospitals throughout the country, thereby enhancing the quality of life for these children and their families; and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection also sponsor toy distributions, family sailing programs, Laughternoon - Laughter is Healing, positive appearance programs, pet-assisted therapy, KCC Supercar Experience, educational programs, and hospital celebrations in honor of a child's determination and bravery to fight the battle against childhood cancer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Commission of the City of Key Colony Beach, Florida, hereby proclaim September 25 to October 1, 2022, as Childhood Cancer Awareness Week, and recognize the dedication of all involved battling the disease of childhood cancer.



Silvia Gransee, City Clerk



Patricia Trefry, Mayor