



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

**RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER, 2013
CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH
IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY**

WHEREAS, thousands of children are diagnosed with pediatric cancer each year throughout the United States making cancer the leading cause of death by disease for American children under 15; and

WHEREAS, the Teddy Bear Cancer Foundation is a local non-profit organization whose mission statement is to provide financial and emotional support to families of children with cancer living in Santa Barbara, Ventura, and San Luis Obispo counties; and

WHEREAS, in the effort to assist families of children diagnosed with this disease, Teddy Bear Cancer Foundation has initiated its inaugural Gold Ribbon Campaign, between September 10th - October 31st, with a goal of raising \$200,000 which coincides with National Childhood Cancer Awareness Month; and

WHEREAS, community support for families is essential as out of pocket medical costs typically exceed \$10,000 annually for proper treatment while requiring frequent hospitalizations and extended absences from work to care for a sick child;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors proclaims September as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month in Santa Barbara County and commends the Teddy Bear Cancer Foundation for its efforts to support families in our community who are diagnosed with this cancer.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 17th day of September, 2013 by a unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST: Chandra Waller
Clerk of the Board

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