



A Proclamation by the Governor

WHEREAS, cancer affects thousands of children each year and is the leading cause of death by disease among U.S. children between infancy and age 15. Each year nearly 15,000 of our nation's youth will be diagnosed and therefore each September we honor and remember children across the country, families, friends and medical professionals; and

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

WHEREAS, incidences of childhood cancer across the State of Nevada are similar to the United States with leukemias occurring more frequently; but unlike leukemia in adults, childhood leukemia is almost always acute; and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc. and Kids Cancer Connection, Inc. were founded more than twenty years ago by Steven Firestein, a member of the philanthropic Max Factor cosmetics family, and this organization is dedicated to helping children and their families; and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection provide services to children undergoing cancer treatment at Sunrise Children's Hospital, University Medical Center Children's Hospital of Nevada in Las Vegas, as well as participating hospitals throughout the country, thereby enhancing the quality of life for children and their families; and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection also sponsor Courageous Kid Recognition Awards, community get well cards and hospital celebrations in honor of a child's determination and bravery to fight the battle against childhood cancer;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN SANDOVAL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, do hereby proclaim September 2016 as

CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH IN NEVADA



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Nevada to be affixed at the State Capitol in Carson City, this 23rd day of August, 2016.

By _____ Governor

Burlana K. Cegavske
Secretary of State

By _____ Deputy