



**WHEREAS**, children with cancer may experience difficulties and long-term effects such as physical and emotional stress, hinderances to learning success, and increased likeliness to develop chronic health conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, on average, more than 290 young people are diagnosed with cancer every week in this country; and

**WHEREAS**, Childhood Cancer Awareness Month is recognized every September by organizations and governmental agencies such as St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital, the National Cancer Institute, and the International Agency for Research on Cancer, for the purpose of mitigating and eliminating cancer, raising awareness, and supporting those affected by it; and

**WHEREAS**, in McKinney, Texas, Leia Hunt, a two-time survivor of childhood cancer, founded the non-profit organization Leia’s Kids and with the help of caring supporters in our community, provides hope and financial assistance to families impacted by childhood cancer.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE C. FULLER, BY THE POWER VESTED IN ME AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2024, AS**

## **CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**

**IN MCKINNEY, TEXAS, TO HONOR THE EXTRAORDINARY COURAGE, STRENGTH, AND OPTIMISM OF THE CHILDREN BATTLING CANCER, AND THEIR FAMILIES, AND RECOMMITTING TO ENDING CANCER AS WE KNOW IT, FOR ALL THOSE BRIGHT LIVES WE HAVE LOST TOO SOON, AND FOR THOSE WE CAN HELP.**

**WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL THIS THE 17TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2024.**

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GEORGE C. FULLER, Mayor

ATTEST:

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EMPRESS DRANE, City Secretary