



WHEREAS, childhood cancer is the most common cause of death by disease in American children - this year, over 17,000 children will be diagnosed with cancer in this country, and even more sadly, some 1,800 will succumb to it; and

WHEREAS, in the state of Texas, there will be more than 1,800 diagnoses and approximately 200 deaths; and

WHEREAS, childhood cancer has long term effects on the child, such as physical and emotional stress, hinderances to learning success, and increased likeliness of suffering chronic health conditions; and

WHEREAS, Childhood Cancer Awareness Month is recognized every September by organizations around the world, for the purpose of raising awareness and support for those affected by childhood cancer; 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 2023, 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 ALL THOSE WE CAN HELP.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL THIS THE 19TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2023.

GEORGE C. FULLER, Mayor

ATTEST:

EMPRESS DRANE, City Secretary