

# PROCLAMATION



## **"Childhood Cancer Awareness Month"** **September 2014**

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection report 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 15,000 of our country's young people each and every year.

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 over twenty years ago by Steven Firestein, a member of the philanthropic Max Factor family, the American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc. and Kids Cancer Connection, Inc. 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 Seattle Children's Hospital, Sacred Heart Children's Hospital in Spokane, Mary Bridge Children's Hospital in Tacoma, 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 Courageous Kid Recognition Award ceremonies and hospital celebrations in honor of a child's determination and bravery to fight the battle against childhood cancer.

**NOW, THEREFORE** the Kittitas County Board of Commissioners do hereby proclaim September 2014 as

### ***CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH***

in Kittitas County, and urge all citizens to join us in this special observance.

**Proclaimed this 19<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2014.**

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
KITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

  
Paul Jewell, Chairman

  
Gary Berndt, Vice-Chairman

  
Obie O'Brien, Commissioner



Attest:

  
Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board