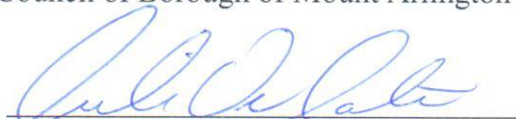


**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE
BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY,
DECLARING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER AS
NATIONAL CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**

WHEREAS, 46 children in the United States will be diagnosed with cancer each day; and
WHEREAS, 1 out of 5 children diagnosed with cancer will not survive the disease; and
WHEREAS, the types of cancers that affect children are most often very different from those that affect adults; and
WHEREAS, childhood cancer is not just one disease but is made up of a dozen types and countless subtypes of cancer; and,
WHEREAS, childhood cancer spares no socioeconomic, ethnic, racial or geographic class; and
WHEREAS, pediatric cancer is the leading cause of death by disease in US children under 19 years of age; and
WHEREAS, the causes of most pediatric cancers are largely unknown and not strongly linked to lifestyle, unlike adult cancers; and
WHEREAS, two-thirds of childhood cancer patients will develop long-lasting chronic conditions as a result from treatment that prevent them from fully participating in school, social activities and work; and
WHEREAS, childhood cancer rates have been rising for the past few decades, and approximately 15,780 children were diagnosed in 2014, and the incidence of invasive pediatric cancer is up to 29% in the past 20 years; and
WHEREAS, cancer kills more children than AIDS, asthma, cystic fibrosis, diabetes and muscular dystrophy combined; and
WHEREAS, in the last 25 years, only two drugs have been specifically developed for children's cancer and in the last 20 years the FDA initially approved only one drug for any childhood cancer; and
WHEREAS, less than 5 percent of the federal government's total funding for cancer research is dedicated to childhood cancers, and only about 3 percent of funds raised for the National Cancer Institute go directly to pediatric cancer research; and
WHEREAS, the funding for pediatric cancer research has gone down steadily since 2003; and
WHEREAS, despite the facts, childhood cancer research is vastly and consistently underfunded; and
WHEREAS, despite the major advances in treatment, it is still critically important to conduct research and increase awareness regarding pediatric cancer.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, proclaim September 2015 Childhood Cancer Awareness Month in the Borough of Mount Arlington in order to help raise awareness of pediatric cancer and its victims.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Mayor and Borough Council of Borough of Mount Arlington at a regular meeting held on September 1, 2015.



Linda DeSantis, RMC
Municipal Clerk