

City of Commerce City, Colorado



Proclamation



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 16,000 of our country's young people every year. An estimated 400,000 children and adolescents are diagnosed with cancer globally each year; and

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 nearly thirty years ago by Steven Firestein, a member of the philanthropic Max Factor cosmetics family, the American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc., Kids Cancer Connection, Inc. and Lions Clubs International 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 Children's Hospital Colorado in Aurora, Rocky Mountain Hospital for Children in Denver, 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 toy distributions, pet-assisted therapy, family sailing programs, Laughternoon - Laughter is Healing, KCC Supercar Experience, positive appearance services, educational programs and hospital celebrations in honor of a child's determination and bravery to fight the battle against childhood cancer.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, I Mayor Benjamin A. Husema, on behalf of the City Council of Commerce City, declares the week of September 25 through October 1 as Childhood Cancer Awareness Week.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused this seal to be affixed on the nineteenth day of September 2022.

CITY OF COMMERCE CITY, COLORADO

Benjamin A. Huseman, Mayor

