## BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LANCASTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA

IN THE MATTER OF	)
PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER, 2015	)
AS CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH	) RESOLUTION NO. $2-15-0044$

**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; and

WHEREAS, one in five of our nation's children loses his or her battle to cancer. Many infants, children and teens will suffer from long-term effects of comprehensive treatment, including secondary cancers; and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc., and Kids Cancer Connection, Inc., founded over twenty years ago by Steven Firestein, a member of the philanthropic Max Factor family, 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 psychosocial services to children undergoing cancer treatment at the University of Nebraska Medical Center and Children's Hospital & Medical Center in Omaha, 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, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Lancaster County Board of Commissioners that September, 2015 is hereby recognized as "Childhood Cancer Awareness Month" and the Board urges all County residents to recognize and participate in its observance.

**DATED** this 1st day of September 2015

BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LANCASTER COUNTY NEBRASKA

APPROVED AS TO FORM this 1st day of September 2015

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