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## **Resolution of the Chatham County Board of Commissioners**

## PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER 2014 AS CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH IN CHATHAM COUNTY

**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 North Carolina Children's Hospital in Chaplet Hill, Levine Children's Hospital in Charlotte, 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 that the Chatham County Board of Commissioners hereby September of 2014 as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month in Chatham County and urges residents to join in efforts to battle this terrible condition affecting too many young people.

Adopted, this the 18<sup>th</sup> day of August of 2014.

ATTEST:	Walter Petty, Chairman Chatham County Board of Commissioners
Lindsay K. Ray, Clerk to the Board Chatham County Board of Commissioners	