

**BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSION
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA**

PROCLAMATION

PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER 2024 AS CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH IN BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

WHEREAS, it is estimated that annually in the United States, approximately 15,780 children between the ages of birth and 19 years are diagnosed with cancer; and

WHEREAS, approximately 1 in 285 children in the United States will receive a cancer diagnosis before reaching their 20th birthday, with the average age at diagnosis being 8 years; and

WHEREAS, globally, an estimated 400,000 children are diagnosed with cancer each year, resulting in a diagnosis for a child every 80 seconds; and

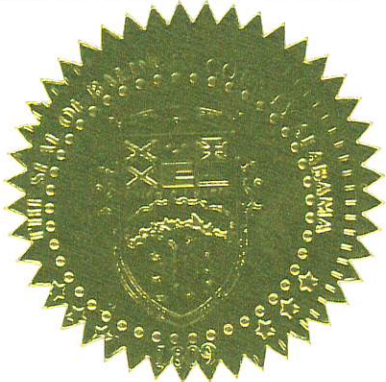
WHEREAS, every 3 minutes, somewhere in the world, a family receives the heartbreaking news that their child has been diagnosed with cancer, equating to approximately 42 families each day who learn that their child has cancer; and

WHEREAS, cancer continues to be the leading cause of death from disease among children in America; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that approximately 1,040 children under the age of 15 will succumb to cancer in 2024; and

WHEREAS, 44% of childhood cancer cases worldwide remain undiagnosed; now therefore

BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSION, IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, that September 2024 is hereby set aside as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month in Baldwin County, Alabama.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the Seal of Baldwin County, Alabama, to be affixed on this the 3rd day of September 2024.



Commissioner Billie Jo Underwood, Chairman

ATTEST:



Roger H. Rendleman, County Administrator