

# STATE OF OKLAHOMA



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## Proclamation

Whereas, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection report cancer is the leading cause of death by disease among children in the United States. This tragic disease is detected in nearly 15,000 of our country's young people each and every year; and

Whereas, one in five of our nation's children lose their battle with cancer. Many infants, children and teens will suffer from long-term effects of comprehensive treatment, including secondary cancers; and

Whereas, founded nearly twenty years ago by Steven Firestein, a member of the philanthropic Max Factor Family, the American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc., and sister organization, 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 The Children's Hospital: Department of Pediatrics; Division of Hematology/Oncology in Oklahoma City, 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 nationwide 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, I, Mary Fallin, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, do hereby proclaim September 2013 as

**"Childhood Cancer Awareness Month"**

in the state of Oklahoma.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed.



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