

Proclamation of the Mayor of the City of Lemoore

In Recognition of:

Childhood Cancer Awareness Week

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 more than 20,000 of our nation's young people each and every year; and,

Whereas, founded nearly fifteen years ago by Steven Factor Firsztein, a descendant of cosmetics magnate Max Factor, 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 provides a variety of vital patient psychosocial services to children undergoing cancer treatment at Children's Hospital Central California: Department of Pediatrics; Division of Hematology/Oncology in Madra and The City of Hope National Medical Center's Comprehensive Cancer Center in Duarte, as well as participating hospitals throughout the country, thereby enhancing the quality of life for these children and their families; and,

Whereas, through its uniquely sensitive and comforting Magical Caps for Kids program, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection have distributed more than 100,000 beautifully hand made caps and decorated baseball caps to children who want to protect their heads following the trauma of chemotherapy, surgery, bone marrow transplants and/or radiation treatments; and,

Whereas, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection also sponsors 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, Be It Resolved, that the City Council of the City of Lemoore does hereby proclaim August 26th through September 2nd, 2007 as Childhood Cancer Awareness Week and does further urge all citizens to recognize and support the needs of the children in our community.

In Witness Whereof, I John Murray, Mayor of the City of Lemoore, have set my hand and caused the Seal of the City to be affixed this 21st day of August, 2007.

John F. Murray, Mayor