



**PROCLAMATION NO. 2015-09**

**A PROCLAMATION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF GILA COUNTY, ARIZONA, PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER AS CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH IN GILA 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 nearly 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 with cancer. Many infants, children and teens will suffer from long-term effects of comprehensive treatment, including secondary cancers; and

**WHEREAS**, founded over more than twenty years ago by Steven Firestein, a member of the philanthropic Max Factor cosmetics 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 Phoenix Children's Hospital, 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 presentations, community get well cards and hospital celebrations in honor of a child's determination and bravery to fight the battle against childhood cancer;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, we, the Gila County Board of Supervisors, do hereby proclaim September as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month in Gila County.

**PASSED and ADOPTED** this 17<sup>th</sup> day of August 2015.

**ATTEST:**

**GILA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

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Marian Sheppard, Clerk of the Board

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Michael A. Pastor, Chairman