



## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, pediatric cancer is the leading cause of death by disease in children; and

**WHEREAS**, 1 in 285 children in the United States will be diagnosed by their 20<sup>th</sup> birthday; and

**WHEREAS**, 80 percent of childhood cancer cases are diagnosed only after the disease has metastasized and spread to other areas of the body; and

**WHEREAS**, two-thirds of childhood cancer patients will have long-lasting chronic conditions as a result of the treatments they go through; and

**WHEREAS**, there has been a 24 percent increase in pediatric cancer cases over the last 40 years, equal to 43 children per day or 15,780 children a year diagnosed with cancer in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Cancer Institute recognized the unique research needs of childhood cancer and increased funding to conduct this research; and

**WHEREAS**, researchers and healthcare professionals work diligently to dedicate their expertise to treat and cure children with cancer; and

**WHEREAS**, too many children are affected by this deadly disease and more must be done to raise awareness and find a cure for all childhood cancers;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Will Hall, Mayor of the City of Shoreline, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim September 2020 as

## CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

In the City of Shoreline and I encourage all people to join me in this special observance.



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Will Hall, Mayor

