CITY OF SHORELINE

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 20th 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, in the last 20 years, only four new drugs have been development specifically to treat children with cancer; 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;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Will Hall, Mayor of the City of Shoreline, do hereby proclaim September 2019 as

CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

Will Hall

Will Hall, Mayor