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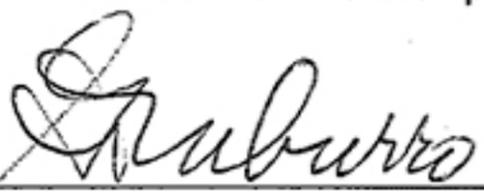
Childhood Cancer Awareness Month

September

- Whereas,** 43 children in the United States will be diagnosed with cancer each day and at an average age of six years old. One out of five children diagnosed with cancer will not survive the disease; and
- Whereas,** childhood cancer is not just one disease, but is made up of a dozen types and countless subtypes of cancer. Childhood cancer spares no socioeconomic, ethnic, racial or geographic class; and
- Whereas,** pediatric cancer is the leading cause of death by disease in US children under 15 years of age. The causes of pediatric cancers are largely unknown and not strongly linked to lifestyle, unlike adult cancers; and
- Whereas,** two-thirds of childhood cancer patients will develop long-lasting chronic conditions resulting from treatment. Cancer kills more children than AIDS, asthma, cystic fibrosis, diabetes, and muscular dystrophy combined; and
- Whereas,** the childhood cancer rates have been rising for the past few decades, and approximately 15,000 children in the US under the age of 15 will be diagnosed with cancer in 2015; and
- Whereas,** in the last 25 years, only 2 drugs have been specifically developed for children's cancer. Despite major advances in treatment, it is still critically important to conduct research and increase awareness regarding pediatric cancer,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved, that I, GERALD W. TAMBURRO, Mayor of the Township of Monroe, do hereby proclaim September as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month, and urge all citizens to "Go Gold" in the Township of Monroe.

Dated: August 2, 2016


Gerald W. Tamburro, Mayor