



Proclamation

Office of the Mayor, City of Mukilteo

Childhood Cancer Awareness Month

September 2021

WHEREAS, each year worldwide, there are more than 300,000 youth and children under the age of 19 diagnosed with cancer; and

WHEREAS, childhood cancer is the #1 disease-related cause of death for children in the United States and many other countries; and

WHEREAS, two-thirds of those who survive childhood cancer endure chronic health conditions from the toxic effects of cancer treatment, including secondary cancers and other life-threatening illnesses; and

WHEREAS, the causes of childhood cancer are largely unknown and more studies are needed to understand which treatments work best for children; and

WHEREAS, cancer treatment for children often must differ from traditional adult treatments to take into account children's developmental needs and other factors; and

WHEREAS, Layla Beckstrand is among the hundreds of children being treated for cancer at Seattle Children's Hospital, and her family now volunteers there to raise awareness about childhood cancer; and

WHEREAS, Mukilteo is a caring community that supports children and families.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Jennifer Gregerson, Mayor of Mukilteo and on behalf of the City Council, proclaim September 2021 as *Childhood Cancer Awareness Month* in Mukilteo and ask all Mukilteo residents to support children and families.

Signed this 7th day of July, 2021

Jennifer Gregerson
Mayor