

Proclamation

WHEREAS,

After accidents, cancer is the second leading cause of death in children ages 1 to 14. About 1,190 children under the age of 15 are expected to die from cancer in 2020; and,

Because of major treatment advances in recent decades, 84% of children with cancer now survive 5 years or more. Overall, this is a huge increase since the mid-1970s, when the 5-year survival rate was about 58%; and,

About 11,050 children in the United States under the age of 15 will be diagnosed with cancer in 2020. Childhood cancer rates have been rising slightly for the past few decades; and,

Possible late effects of cancer treatment include; Heart or lung problems (due to certain chemotherapy drugs or radiation therapy to the chest area, slowed or delayed growth and development (in the bones or overall), changes in sexual development and ability to have children, learning problems and increased risk of other cancers later in life; and,

Despite major advances in treatment, it is still critically important to increase awareness regarding pediatric cancer; and,

September is observed as National Childhood Cancer Awareness Month.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bruce Knell, Mayor of the City of Casper, Wyoming, do hereby proclaim September 2020, as

CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

in this community, and encourage all of our citizens to help raise awareness of pediatric cancer and its victims.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official Seal of the City of Casper, Wyoming, to be affixed this 1st day of September 2020.

CITY OF CASPER, WYOMING
A Municipal Corporation

Bruce Knell
Mayor