

**RESOLUTION 2018 – 19**

**RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER AS  
CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, Each day 43 families in the United States will receive the devastating news that their child or teen has cancer; and

**WHEREAS**, Childhood cancer remains the leading cause of death by disease for children under the age of 15; and

**WHEREAS**, Children’s cancer affects kids of all ages, ethnicity, gender and socio-economic groups; and

**WHEREAS**, The causes of childhood cancer are largely unknown, therefore studies are needed to understand what treatments work best; and

**WHEREAS**, Unlike adults, children’s cancers tend to be more aggressive and requires special treatments and the support of family members, friends, and the community; and

**WHEREAS**, The United States continues to invest in cutting-edge research and works to advance medical treatments to beat childhood cancer; and

**WHEREAS**, in honor of Childhood Cancer Awareness month we take this time to remember and celebrate the life of Mason resident, Maya Collins, whose great courage and spirit amidst her battle with cancer continues to be an inspiration to us all; and

**WHEREAS**, Members of the Mason community can assist in carrying out the vision of a cancer – free future forward by spreading awareness of childhood cancer; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, Members of Mason City Council, and Victor Kidd, Mayor of the City of Mason, do hereby proclaim September, as:

**“Childhood Cancer Awareness Month”**

In the City of Mason, and encourage the community to participate in voluntary activities to support programs and funding of research that finds a cure for childhood cancer.

**PROCLAIMED** this 24<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2018.

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Mayor Victor Kidd

Attest:

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Clerk of Council