

City of Sunnyside, Washington



Proclamation

WHEREAS, each year, approximately 15,000 children in the United States are diagnosed with cancer, making it the leading cause of death by disease in children, yet receives less than 4% of national cancer funding; and

WHEREAS, September is recognized as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month, dedicated to raising public awareness about the profound impact of childhood cancer on children and their families, and advocating for increased research and funding for improved treatments and cures; and

WHEREAS, we honor the bravery and strength of children like Hallel Gonzalez, who have faced the challenges of cancer treatment with courage, and recognize the resilience of siblings like Naomi and Calvary Gonzalez, who have also endured significant challenges throughout this journey; and

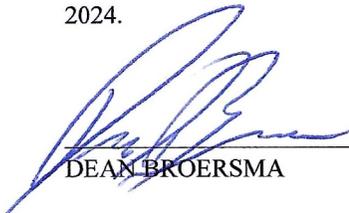
WHEREAS, we acknowledge the vital role of community support in offering hope, resources, and awareness to childhood cancer patients, survivors, and their families, empowering them through their fight and recovery; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sunnyside is dedicated to fostering greater awareness, understanding, and action in the fight against childhood cancer and stands in solidarity with all families affected by this devastating disease;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Dean Broersma, as Mayor of Sunnyside, Washington do hereby proclaim September as **Childhood Cancer Awareness Month** and call upon all citizens to join in the effort to raise awareness, offer support, and contribute to the fight against childhood cancer.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND CAUSED THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF SUNNYSIDE TO BE AFFIXED. DONE AT THE CITY OF SUNNYSIDE THIS 9TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER IN THE YEAR 2024.


DEAN BROERSMA