



PROCLAMATION

Childhood Cancer Awareness Month

- WHEREAS childhood cancer is the number one disease killer of children in Canada, killing more children between the ages of one and twenty than asthma, diabetes, cystic fibrosis and AIDS combined; and*
- WHEREAS every 2 minutes a child is diagnosed with cancer around the world every year; and*
- WHEREAS every year in Canada more than 1,700 children are diagnosed with cancer; and*
- WHEREAS every year in Canada over 300 children under the age of 20 years will lose their lives to cancer; and*
- WHEREAS of the children who survive their initial cancer, most will develop lifetime side effects and are much more likely to develop another form of malignant cancer; and*
- WHEREAS the mental health of children and youth with cancer including their families should be paramount, and support attainable; and*
- WHEREAS our children are our most precious resource and are truly valued by all peoples of British Columbia;*
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor Michelle Staples of the City of Duncan, do hereby proclaim September 2024 as "Childhood Cancer Awareness Month" in the City of Duncan.*

Dated this 3rd day of June, 2024.

Michelle Staples, Mayor