

# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection report cancer is the leading cause of death by disease among children in the United States. This tragic disease is detected in nearly 15,000 of our nation's young people each and every year; and

**WHEREAS**, founded nearly 20 years ago by Steven Firestein, a member of the philanthropic Max Factor family, the American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc., and sister organization, Kids Cancer Connection, Inc., are dedicated to helping these children and their families; and

**WHEREAS**, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection provide a variety of vital patient psychosocial services to children undergoing cancer treatment at the Florida Hospital for Children: Department of Pediatrics; Division of Hematology/Oncology, Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children: Department of Pediatrics; Division of Hematology/Oncology in Orlando, as well as participating hospitals throughout the country, thereby enhancing the quality of life for these children and their families; and

**WHEREAS**, through its uniquely and comforting Magical Caps for Kids program, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection distributes thousands of beautifully handmade caps and decorated baseball caps to children who want to protect their heads following the trauma of chemotherapy, surgery, and/or radiation treatments; and

**WHEREAS**, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection also sponsor nationwide Courageous Kid recognition award ceremonies and hospital celebrations in honor of a child's determination and bravery to fight the battle against childhood cancer;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Ed Kelley, Mayor of the City of Ormond Beach, Florida, do hereby proclaim April 17-23, 2011, as

## CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS WEEK

in the City of Ormond Beach and urge all residents to join with me to increase childhood cancer awareness in our community.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Ormond Beach, Florida, to be affixed this 5<sup>th</sup> day of April in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Eleven.



  
ED KELLEY  
Mayor