

BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL CITY OF MERCER ISLAND

AB 6535 September 3, 2024 Consent Agenda

AGENDA BILL INFORMATION

TITLE:	AB 6535: Childhood Cancer Awareness Month Proclamation No. 345	☐ Discussion Only ☐ Action Needed: ☐ Motion ☐ Ordinance ☐ Resolution
RECOMMENDED ACTION:	Approve Proclamation No. 345 Proclaiming September 2024 as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month on Mercer Island.	
DEPARTMENT:	City Council	
STAFF:	Salim Nice, Mayor Andrea Larson, City Clerk	
COUNCIL LIAISON:	n/a	
EXHIBITS:	1. Proclamation No. 345	
CITY COUNCIL PRIORITY:	n/a	

AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURE	\$ n/a
AMOUNT BUDGETED	\$ n/a
APPROPRIATION REQUIRED	\$ n/a

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this agenda bill is to proclaim September 2024 as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month on Mercer Island, Proclamation No. 345 (Exhibit 1).

BACKGROUND

Cancer is the leading cause of death by disease among children in the United States, with approximately 15,000 children diagnosed every year. Cancer affects not only the young patients but also their families, friends, and communities.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

September is recognized nationally as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month. This month is a time to honor the young lives affected by the dozens of different diseases comprising childhood cancer, to remember those who have lost their battles, and to support the families and medical professionals who tirelessly fight to improve the prognosis for all children with cancer.

Communities across the country "Go Gold" in September to raise awareness and support for childhood cancer research, treatment, and prevention. "Go Gold" in September by wearing gold, displaying gold

ribbons, and participating in events aimed at promoting understanding and solidarity with the affected families.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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