

STATE OF OHIO  
**Executive Department**

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

*Columbus*

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, an average of 345 cases of invasive cancer are diagnosed among Ohio children 14 years and younger each year, and an average of 53 of these children die from cancer each year; and

**WHEREAS**, the types of cancers that develop in children are often different from the types that develop in adults with the most frequent types being leukemia, brain and other central nervous system cancers, kidney cancer, and non-Hodgkin's lymphoma; and

**WHEREAS**, although childhood cancers are uncommon, cancer is the second leading cause of death among Ohio children; and

**WHEREAS**, the causes of childhood cancer are largely unknown, and there are few avoidable risk factors that are known to influence children's risk of developing cancer; and

**WHEREAS**, the early symptoms of childhood cancer are typically nonspecific, parents should make sure their children have regular checkups and need to be alert to any unusual symptoms that persist; and

**WHEREAS**, because of major treatment advancements in recent decades, nearly 80 percent of children survive 5 years or more after diagnosis; and

**WHEREAS**, childhood cancer survivors may experience long-term side effects, which require attention to their health and wellbeing; and

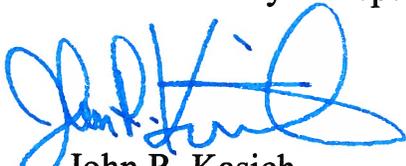
**WHEREAS**, many national and Ohio organizations have contributed to the progress in diagnosis and treatment of childhood cancers as well as the support of children survivors and their families.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, John R. Kasich, Governor of the State of Ohio**, do hereby recognize September 2013 as

**CHILDHOOD CANCER  
AWARENESS MONTH**

throughout Ohio and encourage all Ohioans to learn more about childhood cancer and become involved in efforts to raise awareness and support for research into the prevention and treatment of childhood cancer.

On this 1<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2013;

  
John R. Kasich  
Governor

