

**Bristol Town Administrator**

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**Sent:** Monday, September 19, 2022 3:41 PM  
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**Subject:** Bristol VT / Childhood Cancer Awareness Week / October 23 - October 29

Dear Chair Albinson, Vice Chair Senecal, Select Board Members and staff,

We hope you are doing well during this challenging time. We are writing to request a proclamation recognizing October 23 - October 29 as Childhood Cancer Awareness Week in Bristol. It's that time of year again!

Cancer is the leading cause of death by disease among children in our country today. This tragic disease is detected in more than 16,000 of our country's young people each and every year. We are truly grateful for Vermont's many years of support.

The Lions Club of Barre will sponsor the request this year. Constituent Mark Tatro of Barre is the Club's president. We will also collaborate with the Boys and Girls Club of Burlington to create beautiful handmade cards for hospitalized children.

-Lions Clubs International / Childhood Cancer Initiative  
[www.lionsclubs.org/en/start-our-global-causes/childhood-cancer](http://www.lionsclubs.org/en/start-our-global-causes/childhood-cancer)

-Boys and Girls Clubs of America / Children's handmade poster  
[www.flickr.com/photos/kidscancerconnection/48955627691](http://www.flickr.com/photos/kidscancerconnection/48955627691)

We will continue to coordinate activities including our popular toy distributions and other hospital activities at the Children's Hospital at UVM Medical Center in Burlington among other regional facilities. We've included sample text below for your reference.

-State of Vermont / Children's handmade poster 1  
[www.flickr.com/photos/kidscancerconnection/52023392737](http://www.flickr.com/photos/kidscancerconnection/52023392737)

-State of Vermont / Children's handmade poster 2  
[www.flickr.com/photos/kidscancerconnection/49824024756](http://www.flickr.com/photos/kidscancerconnection/49824024756)

-State of Vermont / Children's handmade poster 3  
[www.flickr.com/photos/kidscancerconnection/49835099853](http://www.flickr.com/photos/kidscancerconnection/49835099853)

-State of Vermont / Children's handmade poster 4  
[www.flickr.com/photos/kidscancerconnection/49490329142](http://www.flickr.com/photos/kidscancerconnection/49490329142)

**-State of Vermont / Sept. 2022 Childhood Cancer Awareness proclamation / Governor Scott**  
[www.flickr.com/photos/kidscancerconnection/52325406680](http://www.flickr.com/photos/kidscancerconnection/52325406680)

-State of Vermont / Sept. 2018 Childhood Cancer Awareness proclamation / Governor Scott  
[www.flickr.com/photos/kidscancerconnection/44994120101](http://www.flickr.com/photos/kidscancerconnection/44994120101)

-State of Vermont / Sept. 2015 Childhood Cancer Awareness proclamation / Governor Shumlin  
[www.flickr.com/photos/kidscancerconnection/19535658111](http://www.flickr.com/photos/kidscancerconnection/19535658111)

-State of Vermont / Sept. 2012 Childhood Cancer Awareness proclamation / Governor Shumlin  
[www.flickr.com/photos/kidscancerconnection/14007740032](http://www.flickr.com/photos/kidscancerconnection/14007740032)

-Washington County / Children's handmade poster  
[www.flickr.com/photos/kidscancerconnection/51712418274](http://www.flickr.com/photos/kidscancerconnection/51712418274)

-City of Montpelier / Children's handmade poster  
[www.flickr.com/photos/kidscancerconnection/48977704988](http://www.flickr.com/photos/kidscancerconnection/48977704988)

**-City of Montpelier / 2022 Childhood Cancer Awareness proclamation**  
[www.flickr.com/photos/kidscancerconnection/52367023204](http://www.flickr.com/photos/kidscancerconnection/52367023204)

-Chittenden County / City of Burlington / University of Vermont Children's Hospital  
[www.flickr.com/photos/kidscancerconnection/494900596](http://www.flickr.com/photos/kidscancerconnection/494900596)

-City of Burlington / Children's handmade poster  
[www.flickr.com/photos/kidscancerconnection/49490627047](http://www.flickr.com/photos/kidscancerconnection/49490627047)

**-Grafton County, NH / Sept. 2022 Childhood Cancer Awareness proclamation**  
[www.flickr.com/photos/kidscancerconnection/52305643257](http://www.flickr.com/photos/kidscancerconnection/52305643257)

-Grafton County, NH / City of Lebanon / The Children's Hospital at Dartmouth-Hitchcock  
[www.flickr.com/photos/kidscancerconnection/49823105238](http://www.flickr.com/photos/kidscancerconnection/49823105238)

(\*) May we please receive a .JPEG format copy to share?

(\*\*) May we also please receive the original copy in the mail?

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,  
Steven Firestein, M.A.  
Volunteer Director

Dr. Amy Firestein  
Volunteer, Clinical Services Director

Kids Cancer Connection, Inc.  
IRS 501 (C)(3) # 56-2520924  
American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc.  
IRS 501 (C)(3) # 13-3780954

-KCC Website  
[www.KidsCancerConnection.org](http://www.KidsCancerConnection.org)

SAMPLE: Childhood Cancer Awareness Week

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection report cancer is the leading cause of death by disease among U.S. children between infancy and age 15. This tragic disease is detected in more than 16,000 of our country's young people each and every year; and

WHEREAS, one in five of our nation's children loses his or her battle with cancer. Many infants, children and teens will suffer from long-term effects of comprehensive treatment, including secondary cancers. An estimated 400,000 children and adolescents are diagnosed with cancer globally each and every year; and

WHEREAS, founded nearly thirty years ago by Steven Firestein, a member of the philanthropic branch of the Max Factor cosmetics family, the American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc. and Kids Cancer Connection, Inc. along with Lions Clubs International 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 Children's Hospital at UVM Medical Center in Burlington, the Children's Hospital at Dartmouth-Hitchcock in Lebanon NH, as well as participating hospitals throughout the country, thereby enhancing the quality of life for these children and their families; and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection also sponsor toy distributions, Laughternoon - Laughter is Healing, positive appearance programs, pet-assisted therapy, family sailing programs, KCC Supercar Experience, educational programs and hospital celebrations in honor of a child's determination and bravery to fight the battle against childhood cancer.

-Please add your concluding statement.