

*Office of the Mayor
City of Fort Lauderdale*

Proclamation

**In Recognition of
BLOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH
September 2016**

WHEREAS, in the United States, an estimated 1,237,824 people are living with, or are in remission from, leukemia, lymphoma, myeloma or other form of blood cancer, with an estimated 171,550 new cases expected to be diagnosed in 2016; and

WHEREAS, leukemia, lymphoma, myeloma and other blood cancers will kill an estimated 58,320 people in the United States this year alone; and

WHEREAS, The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS), exists to find cures and ensure access to treatments for blood cancer patients; and

WHEREAS, LLS maintains an office in Hollywood to help improve the quality of life for blood cancer patients and their families in the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Lauderdale is similarly committed to the eradication of these diseases and supports the treatment of blood cancer patients and their families; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Lauderdale encourages private efforts to enhance research funding and education programs that are saving lives not someday, but today.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, as City Commissioners of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, do hereby proclaim, **September 2016** as:

Blood Cancer Awareness Month

in the city of Fort Lauderdale in an effort to educate our neighbors about the need for finding cures and creating access to treatments for all types of blood cancers, and do encourage our neighbors to get involved with LLS, from participation in fundraising campaigns, to making a donation or volunteering.

DATED this, the 7th day of September 2016.




Mayor John P. "Jack" Seiler

