

## *Proclamation*

- WHEREAS, Childhood cancer remains an urgent health crisis and the most common cause of death by disease among children in the United States; and
- WHEREAS, the causes of childhood cancer are still largely unknown, and the rates of common cancer differ by age and ethnicity; underscoring the importance of furthering research to better understand and determine how to adjust treatment to the unique needs of children, as well as long-term health issues often faced by childhood cancer survivors; and
- WHEREAS, according to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, approximately 15,000 kids under the age of 20 are diagnosed with cancer in the United States each year; and
- WHEREAS, Massachusetts is home to renowned cancer care. Doctors, nurses and researchers work every day to advance treatment options and offer hope to families, while organizations across the Commonwealth provide vital support and advocacy on behalf of children fighting cancer; and
- WHEREAS, symbolized by the color gold, Childhood Cancer Awareness Month provides our community with the opportunity to stand united with the young heroes who face the disease with incredible courage, to celebrate survivors, to support families currently in the fight and to honor those we have lost too soon, especially Michael C. McHugh and Emily L Butt;

NOW, THEREFORE, We, the Milton Select Board do hereby proclaim September 2025 as

## *Milton Glows Gold in recognition of Childhood Cancer Awareness Month*

GIVEN THIS DAY, Tuesday, September 9, 2025

Signed by the Chair on behalf of the Milton Select Board

  
Benjamin D. Zoll, Chair

Winston A. Daley, Vice Chair  
Meghan E. Haggerty, Secretary  
Richard G. Wells, Jr., Member

