

## KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse 516 Third Avenue Seattle, WA 98104

## Signature Report

September 22, 2017

## Resolution 17-06

Proposed No. 17-06.1

**Sponsors** 

1	A RESOLUTION recognizing September 2017 as
2	Childhood Cancer Awareness Month.
3	WHEREAS, throughout the month of September, King County residents join
4	people across the United States to support families facing childhood cancer to
5	demonstrate dedication to fighting this terrible disease and remember the lives taken too
6	soon, and
7	WHEREAS, cancer is the leading cause of death for children, ages one to
8	fourteen years old, in King County. This tragic disease is detected in more than 16,000
9	of our country's young people each and every year, and
10	WHEREAS, the King County Board of Health committed to pursuing cancer
11	prevention strategies in the 2017 work plan, and
12	WHEREAS, in 2015, the Board of Health passed a resolution to address youth
13	tobacco use, calling on the Washington state Legislature to increase the legal age for a
14	person to be sold or given, or to purchase, attempt to purchase or to possess, tobacco
15	products or vapor products, from eighteen to twenty-one years old, and
16	WHEREAS, the Board of Health supports state efforts to prevent youth sales,
17	access and addiction to carcinogenic vapor products and e-cigarettes, and
18	WHEREAS, King County is home to some of the nation's most-skilled and
19	cutting-edge cancer institutes, including the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center,

20	Seattle Cancer Care Alliance and Seattle Children's, and
21	WHEREAS, researchers at Seattle Children's are working on innovative therapies
22	to cure childhood cancer and improve survivors' quality of life, and
23	WHEREAS, in 2016, the Board of Health passed Resolution 16-08, encouraging
24	efforts to protect individuals within King County from human papillomavirus ("HPV")-
25	associated cancers and other conditions by improving HPV vaccination rates and
26	increasing knowledge and acceptance of HPV vaccines among parents and adolescents.
27	King County allocated \$400,000 for a vaccination program to prevent HPV and cervical
28	cancer;
29	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Health of King
30	County:
31	A. The Board of Health recognizes September 2017 as Childhood Cancer
32	Awareness Month, and reaffirms its commitment to raising awareness, investing in
33	prevention and finding a cure for cancer.
34	B. The Board of Health requests that Public Health - Seattle & King County

- 35 continue to build upon relationships with local cancer research institutes and
- 36 organizations and look for new partnership opportunities.

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Resolution 17-06 was introduced on and passed by the Board of Health on 9/21/2017, by the following vote:

Yes: 13 - Mr. Baker, Dr. Danielson, Ms. Bagshaw, Mr. McDermott, Mr. Dembowski, Dr. Daniell, Ms. Kohl-Welles, Ms. Gonzalez, Ms. Juarez and Ms. Birney

No: 0

Excused: 2 - Ms. Lambert and Ms. Wales

BOARD OF HEALTH KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Rod Dembowski, Chair

ATTEST:

Melani Pedroza, Clerk of the Board

Attachments: None