***PROCLAMATION from the***

***Office of the Mayor***



**Whereas**, blood cancers currently afflict more than one million people in the United States, with an estimated 175,200 new cases diagnosed each year; and

**Whereas**, leukemia, lymphoma, and myeloma will kill an estimated 52,560 people in the United States this year; and

**Whereas**, The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS), through voluntary contributions, is dedicated to finding cures for these diseases through research efforts and the support for those that suffer from them; and

**Whereas**, LLS maintains an office in Dallas and Fort Worth to support patients with these diseases and their family members in the State of Texas.

**Now, therefore**, I, Walter Bowen, Mayor of the City of Lake Worth, do hereby declare that the City of Lake Worth joins with LLS in designating the month of September 2015 as “**Blood Cancer Awareness Month”** to enhance the understanding of blood related cancers and to encourage participation in voluntary activities to support education programs and the funding of research programs to find a cure for them.

**Proclaimed** this 11th day of August 2015.

Walter Bowen, Mayor