

# Proclamation

## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

WHEREAS, Sallie M. Pickell was born in Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS, Sallie Pickell moved to Key Biscayne in 1975 and worked at the University of Miami School of Medicine for 32 years; and

WHEREAS, foremost, Sallie Pickell has served on the Key Biscayne Fourth of July Parade Committee, and was its distinguished Secretary for many years, succeeding Jane Yarnell, the original secretary; and

WHEREAS, Sallie Pickell, being an exemplary citizen of Key Biscayne, has served our community and especially, the Key Biscayne Fourth of July Parade; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the Village of Key Biscayne recognize the accomplishments and service of Sallie M. Pickell.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROBERT L. VERNON, MAYOR OF THE VILLAGE OF KEY BISCAYNE, FLORIDA, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM JULY 4th, 2007 AS:

“SALLIE M. PICKELL DAY”

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE VILLAGE OF KEY BISCAYNE THIS 4th DAY OF July, 2007.

MAYOR ROBERT L. VERNON

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WHEREAS, The American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection report cancer is the leading cause of death by disease among children in the United States. This tragic disease is detected in more than 20,000 of our nation's young people each and every year; 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 Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital; Department of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology at Memorial in Hollywood and Chris Everett Children's Hospital; Department of Pediatrics; Division of Hematology/Oncology at Broward General Medical Center in Ft. Lauderdale, as well as, participating hospitals throughout the country, thereby enhancing the quality of life for these children and their families; and

WHEREAS, through its uniquely sensitive and comforting Magical Caps for Kids program, the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection have distributed more than 100,000 beautifully hand made caps and decorated baseball caps to children who want to protect their heads following the trauma of chemotherapy, surgery, bone marrow transplants and/or radiation treatments; and

WHEREAS, The American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection also sponsor nationwide Courageous Kid Recognition Award Ceremonies and hospital celebrations in honor of children's determination and bravery to fight the battle against childhood cancer.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROBERT L. VERNON, MAYOR OF THE VILLAGE OF KEY BISCAVNE, FLORIDA, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2007 AS,

"CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH"

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE VILLAGE OF KEY BISCAVNE THIS 28th DAY OF August, 2007.

MAYOR ROBERT L. VERNON

-----Original Message-----

From: acfckids@earthlink.net [mailto:acfckids@earthlink.net]  
Sent: Thursday, August 02, 2007 1:25 AM  
To: vernon@fir.com  
Cc: calvarez@keybiscayne.fl.gov  
Subject: Key Biscayne - Childhood Cancer Awareness Month

Dear Mayor Vernon and staff

I hope this message finds you doing well. I am writing to request a proclamation recognizing Childhood Cancer Awareness Month in Key Biscayne during the month of September 2007. It's that time of year again!

Cancer in children is the leading cause of death by disease in our country today.

I have included sample text below for your reference. This will not be a presentation item this year. However, the signed proclamation will be shared with our Miami-Dade County families, medical care givers and the children themselves.

I will continue to coordinate activities, including our popular Courageous Kid Recognition Award program at Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital; Department of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology at Memorial in Hollywood and Chris Everett Children's Hospital:  
Department of Pediatrics; Division of Hematology/Oncology at Broward General Medical Center in Ft.Lauderdale among other facilities.

\*\* Please keep me informed on the status of our request. Thank you in advance for your time and consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Steven Firestein, M.A.  
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American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc.  
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[http://kidscancerconnection.org/photopages/kcc\\_america/florida/index.htm](http://kidscancerconnection.org/photopages/kcc_america/florida/index.htm)  
[http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/getpage.cgi?dbname=2007\\_record&page=E1628&position=all](http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/getpage.cgi?dbname=2007_record&page=E1628&position=all)  
(Member of Congress Lois Capps)

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Whereas, Save A Life Foundation's mission is training and developing people, starting with schoolchildren, to be active bystanders equipped with basic life supporting first aid skills to aid during emergencies; and

Whereas, basic Life Supporting First Aid Techniques, such as CPR, Heimlich maneuver, and the use of Automatic External Defibrillators (AED) are essential in maintaining life prior to EMS arrival; and

Whereas, Save A Life Foundation, utilizes only Emergency Medical Service professionals as Instructors to teach basic life supporting first aid techniques to schoolchildren, grades K-12 and adults; and

Whereas, the U.S. Conference of Mayors passed the Community Response System Initiative (CRSI) Resolution and the U.S. Senate Homeland Security and Government Affairs Committee passed the CRSI Act, both inspired by Save A Life Foundation, calling for communities to create CRSI's committees that would encourage citizens, especially children grades K-12 to learn life supporting first aid skills allowing them to aid in emergencies; and

Whereas, Save A Life Foundation works with local, state and federal government organizations and the private sector to highlight the importance of "Pre-EMS", public emergency preparedness and the importance of the Good Samaritan Law; and

Whereas, Save A Life Foundation will coordinate the formation of the "Coalition of the Caring" to umbrella local groups previously unknown to the community, including those in uniform and the role they play to reduce violence affecting Americans especially children.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROBERT L. VERNON, MAYOR OF THE VILLAGE OF KEY BISCAKYNE, FLORIDA, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2007 AS:

**"NATIONAL SAVE A LIFE MONTH"**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE VILLAGE OF KEY BISCAKYNE THIS 28th DAY OF August, 2007.

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MAYOR ROBERT L. VERNON



# SALF

Save A Life Foundation

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Carol J. Spizzirri  
Founder / President

July 26, 2007

Mayor Robert L. Vernon  
Village of Key Biscayne  
88 West McIntyre Street  
Key Biscayne, FL 33149

Dear Honorable Vernon,

The dawn of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century has brought new challenges and public safety issues to the forefront of our Nation and its cities. Although not every emergency situation is the same, it is clear that the *very* first responder is often a family member, friend, co-worker or unknown bystander. The importance of these individuals and their actions until professional law enforcement and emergency personnel arrive cannot be overlooked. With this in mind, we invite your city to proclaim the month of September 2007 as "Save A Life Month" and conduct public awareness activities that will remind our communities to be prepared and to help one another during a natural or man-made emergency.

These proclamations will serve as an important reminder for our cities and Nation that "trained hands save lives." With this in mind, the Save A Life Foundation (SALF) is prepared to assist your city in hosting events to train individuals, starting with the youth in grades K-12, to be active bystanders equipped with basic life-supporting first aid skills. The goal of these events is to provide these young citizens with the skills to effectively and safely respond to an emergency before the arrival of paramedics or other first responders.

The "Save A Life Month" will run in conjunction with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security designation of September 2007 as National Preparedness Month, which encourages Americans to take action and be prepared for emergencies in their homes, businesses and schools.

The SALF works with state and local leaders, including law enforcement and EMS providers, to implement age specific first aid programs that prepares citizens for life-threatening situations and is a resource for you. In addition, if you or your city council adopts a proclamation designating September 2007 as "Save A Life Month", please forward it to the SALF's National Headquarters so that your support can be documented and included on the SALF website at [www.salf.org](http://www.salf.org).

Thank you for considering the designation of September 2007 as "Save A Life Month" and please consider including an event that recognizes your community's efforts to be prepared. A sample proclamation for the "Save A Life Month" is enclosed.

Best Wishes,

Carol Spizzirri  
President/Founder of SALF

Mayor Rita Mullins  
Palatine, Illinois

Mayor Patrick Henry Hays  
North Little Rock, Arkansas

Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
Stamford, Connecticut

Mayor David Wallace  
Sugar Land, Texas

Mayor Phil Gordon  
Phoenix, Arizona