

**WHEREAS**, blood cancers currently afflict more than one million people in the United States, with an estimated 148,040 new cases diagnosed each year, and,

**WHEREAS**, leukemia, lymphoma and myeloma will kill an estimated 54,380 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 North Texas to support patients with these diseases and their family members in the State of Texas

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, David L. Cook, Mayor of the City of Mansfield, Texas, join with members of the City Council to hereby proclaim September 2013, as

### **BLOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**

and urge all citizens to increase their 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.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I do hereby set my hand and cause the official seal of the City of Mansfield to be affixed this 26<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2013.