



# Hunger Action Month® | FEEDING AMERICA

## 2024 Hunger Action Month Proclamation Template

**WHEREAS**, hunger and poverty are issues of vital concern in [ STATE] where [INSERT %] of people face hunger in [STATE] and one in every [#] children do not know where their next meal will come from; and

**WHEREAS**, everyone needs nutritious food to thrive, and in every community in America, people are working hard to provide for themselves and their families—yet in 2022, 44 million people—1 in 7—including more than 13 million children—1 in 5—faced food insecurity in the U.S. That includes [INSERT LOCAL FOOD INSECURITY #] in [NAME OF STATE/COUNTY]; and

**WHEREAS**, the [City or County] of [STATE] is committed to taking steps to combat hunger in every part of our community and to provide additional resources that those in [State, City or County] need; and

**WHEREAS**, the [City or County] of [STATE] is committed to working with [NAME OF STATE ASSOCIATION OR FEEDING AMERICA FOOD BANKS], a member of the Feeding America® nationwide network of food banks, in educating people about the role and importance of food banks in addressing hunger and raising awareness of the need to devote more resources and attention to hunger issues; and

**WHEREAS**, more than [INSERT LOCAL STATISTICS ON HUNGER IN YOUR COMMUNITY, IF AVAILABLE] individuals in [NAME OF STATE/COUNTY] rely on food provided by the members of the [NAME OF STATE ASSOCIATION OR FEEDING AMERICA FOOD BANKS] annually; and

**WHEREAS**, the members of [NAME OF STATE ASSOCIATION OR FEEDING AMERICA FOOD BANKS] distributed more than [INSERT LOCAL STATISTICS, IF AVAILABLE] meals to [NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS] in [YEAR] through its network of food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters, and other community organizations; and

**WHEREAS**, the month of September has been designated “Hunger Action Month” in order to bring attention to food insecurity in our communities and to enlist the public in the movement to end hunger by taking action – including volunteer shifts, social media shares, and donations – to ensure every community, and everybody in it, has the food they need to thrive.

**WHEREAS**, food banks across the country, including the members of the [NAME OF STATE ASSOCIATION OR FEEDING AMERICA FOOD BANKS IN YOUR STATE – LIST MEMBER FOOD BANKS OUT BY NAME] – will host numerous events throughout the month of September to bring awareness and help end hunger in their local community;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, [NAME OF ELECTED OFFICIAL], do hereby recognize September 2024, as **HUNGER ACTION MONTH** in our [State, City or County] OF [NAME OF STATE], and I call this observance to the attention of our citizens.

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_