



A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER AS HUNGER ACTION MONTH

WHEREAS, Hunger Action Month is a national campaign that reminds us that there are those who need the help of kind souls with open hands, and there are more than enough resources in the world for us all to eat; and

WHEREAS, the City of New Albany partners with the Healthy New Albany Food Pantry and is committed to helping them raise awareness that food insecurity exists in some of our neighborhoods and is on the rise; and

WHEREAS, for every dollar donated, the Healthy New Albany Food Pantry can purchase \$5.22 worth of groceries. The Pantry accepts food and personal care items, such as laundry detergent and shampoo, throughout the year from our citizens.

WHEREAS, since summer of 2021, the Healthy New Albany Food Pantry has served 141 new families and provided over 200,000 meals, and there has been an 82% increase in New Albany neighbors served at the pantry since 2019; and

WHEREAS, the New Albany community continues to help raise awareness of food insecurity through food drives, partnerships, collections within the schools, and spreading the word about what they are doing to help our neighbors in need.

NOW, THEREFORE I, Sloan T. Spalding, Mayor of the City of New Albany, Counties of Franklin and Licking, State of Ohio, on behalf of the Council and residents do hereby proclaim the month of September as:

HUNGER ACTION MONTH

in the City of New Albany, Ohio.



Sloan T. Spalding, Mayor