



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, since summer of 2022, the Healthy New Albany Food Pantry has served 165 new families, provided over 260,000 meals, and had the busiest summer ever this year; and

WHEREAS, for every dollar donated, the Healthy New Albany Food Pantry can purchase almost \$5.00 worth of groceries; and the pantry accepts personal care items and paper products, such as laundry detergent, shampoo, and paper towel throughout the year; 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; and

WHEREAS, you can participate in Hunger Action Month by educating others about hunger in your community, starting a fundraiser, volunteering your time at the local food pantry, and by donating to neighborhood food banks and pantries including the Healthy New Albany Food Pantry.

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.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Sloan T. Spalding", is written over a horizontal line.

Sloan T. Spalding, Mayor