

**RESOLUTION NO. 2022- 89**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS, IN SUPPORT OF THE BASTROP COUNTY EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY.**

**WHEREAS,** the U.S. Department of Agriculture defines food insecurity as a lack of consistent access to enough food for an active, healthy life; and is associated with serious, potentially dire, health complications in adults and children; and

**WHEREAS,** hunger in Bastrop County continues to rise, due to the rising cost of food and fuel; and

**WHEREAS,** hunger in the youngest Bastrop County residents continues to rise and the ending of free breakfast and lunches for all students is leaving countless students without sufficient and nutritious food required for them to thrive; and

**WHEREAS,** food security is recognized as access by all people at all times to sufficient food that is nutritionally appropriate and meets individual and collective consumer preferences; and

**WHEREAS,** affordable and nutritious food, provided in a respectful manner, should be available to all people, especially children; and

**WHEREAS,** since its beginning in 1987, the Bastrop County Emergency Food Pantry proudly serves Bastrop County residents in their time of crisis, providing food and support services five days a week; and

**WHEREAS,** the Bastrop County Emergency proudly provides 272 students from seven different schools with weekend meals and snacks through their NIBBLES program

**WHEREAS,** Bastrop County is an aware and responsive community that wishes to ensure that a wide variety of safe and nutritious food is available to all city and county residents.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Bastrop City Council, on behalf of our growing and robust City:

**ACKNOWLEDGES** the Bastrop County Emergency Food Pantry for thirty-plus years of dedicated service providing vital emergency food and services to the community; and

**RECOGNIZES** September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022 as National Hunger Action Day and implore all to wear orange to bring awareness about hunger and food insecurity,

**SUPPORTS** the Bastrop County Emergency Food efforts to raise awareness of hunger and to serve the community with emergency food and support services to the growing community; and

**CALLS** upon all who are able and concerned about food insecurity and hunger to do their part to support the Bastrop County Emergency Food Pantry in their current and future efforts to serve this community.

Approved this the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, by a vote of \_\_\_\_ ayes, \_\_\_\_ nays, with \_\_\_\_ abstentions.

**DULY RESOLVED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Bastrop, Texas, on this, the 20<sup>th</sup> day of September 2022.**

**APPROVED:**

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Connie B. Schroeder, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Ann Franklin, City Secretary

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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Alan Bojorquez, City Attorney