

## PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER 2025, AS

## "HUNGER ACTION MONTH"

WHEREAS, Hunger remains a significant problem in Texas with 5.3 million people facing food insecurity, representing one in six households across the state; and

WHEREAS, the rate of food insecurity in Texas has increased from 16.4% to 17.6% since last year, demonstrating the urgent and growing need for resources, compassion, and community action; and

WHEREAS, the Central Texas Food Bank is the leading hunger-relief nonprofit in Central Texas, providing immediate and equitable access to nutritious food across its 21-county service area through direct service programs and a network of approximately 250 nonprofit partners, supporting more than 530,000 food-insecure individuals annually; and

WHEREAS, during Hunger Action Month, the communities across the nation come together to raise awareness of hunger and take action to support organizations like the Central Texas Food Bank, whose mission helps restore strength, stability, and a sense of normalcy to thousands of households in need; and

WHEREAS, the Central Texas Food Bank demonstrates leadership during times of crisis, expanding outreach and hosting emergency food distributions in Burnet, Llano, San Saba, Williamson, and Travis Counties in response to recent July 4th flooding, while working closely with local officials and partners to ensure families have access to nutritious food and clean water; and

WHEREAS, the Central Texas Food Bank is the largest hunger relief charity in the region, bringing nearly 54 million meals last year into the hands of families and local nonprofits that turn to them for support; and

WHEREAS, Dripping Springs has two local food pantries; Helping Hands at the United Methodist Church, and St. Martin de Porres' meal ministry, who are both committed to supporting the community year-round.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the City of Dripping Springs City Council:

- **1.** That September 2025 shall be known as "Hunger Action Month" in the City of Dripping Springs, Texas; and
- **2.** That citizens of Dripping Springs are encouraged to pledge to take action against hunger in our community, whether it be by fund, food donation, volunteering, or advocacy.