



## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, hunger and poverty are issues of vital concern in Larimer County where the Food Bank provided services to more than 54,000 people, including nearly 16,000 children, in the last calendar year; and

**WHEREAS**, everyone needs nutritious food to thrive, and the rate of people experiencing food insecurity nationally is the highest in more than a decade — at nearly 50 million individuals, including families, seniors, and children; and

**WHEREAS**, the city of Fort Collins is committed to taking steps to combat hunger in every part of our community and to provide additional resources that those in Larimer County need; and

**WHEREAS**, the city of Fort Collins is committed to working with the Food Bank for Larimer County, a partner in 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 54,000 individuals, including nearly 16,000 children, annually rely on food provided by the Food Bank for Larimer County and its programs and partners; and

**WHEREAS**, the Food Bank for Larimer County distributes enough food for more than 10.5 million meals annually 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; and

**WHEREAS**, food banks across the country, including the Food Bank for Larimer County, will host numerous events throughout the month of September to bring awareness and help end hunger in their local community.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Jeni Arndt, Mayor of the City of Fort Collins, do hereby proclaim the month of September 2025 as

## HUNGER ACTION MONTH

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the City of Fort Collins this 2nd day of September, 2025.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk