

Honoring Hunger Action Month

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, addressing the food insecurity needs of children, youth, men, women, seniors, active military and veterans today is fundamental for the future of Saratoga; and,

WHEREAS, hunger and poverty are issues of vital concern in Carbon County where 11.9% of people struggle with hunger and one in every six children do not know where their next meal will come from; and,

WHEREAS, the need for comprehensive, coordinated emergency food programs place upon our community a critical responsibility; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Saratoga is committed to combating hunger in every part of our community and providing additional resources that those in Carbon County need; and,

WHEREAS, it is our responsibility as citizens of Saratoga to learn about hunger and to do our part in reducing that hunger; and,

WHEREAS, Saratoga partners with Food Bank of Wyoming, a member of the Feeding America nationwide network of food banks and their local partner, the Saratoga Food Pantry to educate people about the important role of hunger relief organizations raising awareness for the need to devote more resources and attention to hunger and food insecurity issues; and,

WHEREAS, more than 1,810 residents of Carbon County rely, annually, on food provided by Food Bank of Wyoming and their local partners; and

WHEREAS, Food Bank of Wyoming, its generous funders, volunteers and local partner agencies are committed to educating citizens on the role of food banks and hunger-relief efforts in solving hunger; and

WHEREAS, Food Bank of Wyoming provides over 9 million meals across Wyoming annually; and to engage each of us to help end hunger, one meal at a time, either through donations, social media shares or volunteer shifts; and

WHEREAS, the month of September is designated “Hunger Action Month” in order to bring attention to food insecurity in our communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Creed James, Mayor of the Town of Saratoga of Wyoming do hereby proclaim September 2022 as Hunger Action Month and encourage all citizens to increase their understanding and awareness of food insecurity and how it impacts our nation, state, county and communities.

GIVEN UNDER, my hand and seal of the Town of Saratoga, Wyoming to be affixed this 20th day of September in 2022.

Creed James, Mayor