

**WHEREAS**, September is Hunger Action Month, an initiative created by Feeding America to help raise awareness about the issue of hunger in the United States and in local communities; and

**WHEREAS**, Feeding South Florida is a member of the Feeding America network and the leading domestic hunger relief organization serving Palm Beach, Broward, Miami-Dade, and Monroe Counties, serving 25% of the state's food insecure population; and

**WHEREAS**, hunger and poverty are issues of grave concern to the City of Coconut Creek, and it is therefore critical we take action to break the cycle of hunger and poverty and address the root causes of hunger; and

**WHEREAS**, during COVID, over one million individuals in South Florida, over 340,000 of whom are children, have been relying on food provided by Feeding South Florida and its network of partner agencies annually; and

**WHEREAS**, Feeding South Florida distributed over 119 million pounds of food and grocery products in 2020 through its network of 300 non-profit partner agencies, direct service programs, benefits assistance program, home meal delivery programs and more; and

**WHEREAS**, Feeding America Food banks across the country, including Feeding South Florida, will host several events throughout September to raise awareness about the issue of hunger and inspire action toward ending hunger in their local community.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Commission of the City of Coconut Creek, Florida, hereby proclaims September 2021, as

***“HUNGER ACTION MONTH”***

in support of Feeding America's commitment to end hunger in our community.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto  
set our hands and caused the seal of the  
City of Coconut Creek to be affixed  
this 9<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021.**