

**A PROCLAMATION
OF THE
SEMINOLE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 2024,
AS
HUNGER ACTION MONTH**

WHEREAS, hunger and poverty are issues of vital concern in Florida where 13.2% of people face hunger and do not know where their next meal will come from; and

WHEREAS, Seminole County is committed to taking steps to combat hunger in every part of our community; and

WHEREAS, Seminole County is committed to working with Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida, a member of 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, Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida and their 62 partner agencies have distributed more than 8.1 million meals to individuals in Seminole County in 2023; and

WHEREAS, Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida distributes 300,000 meals every single day throughout their seven-county service area in Central Florida, 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.

WHEREAS, food banks across the country, including Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida and its partner agency network – will host numerous events throughout the month of September to bring awareness and help end hunger in their local community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that we, the Board of County Commissioners of Seminole County, Florida, do hereby proclaim the month of September, 2024 as:

Hunger Action Month

ADOPTED this 24th day of September 2024



Jay Zembower, Chairman
Seminole County Board of County Commissioners