PROCLAMATION

DESIGNATING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2023, AS "HUNGER ACTION MONTH"

Whereas, hunger and poverty remain issues of grave concern in the United States, the State of Florida, and the Treasure Coast, with 31,221 family households in Indian River County unable to afford the basic costs of living; and

Whereas, Indian River County is committed to taking steps to raise awareness about the need to combat hunger in every part of our County and to support efforts to serve the needs of Indian River County citizens; and

Whereas, Indian River County is committed to working with the Treasure Coast Food Bank in educating people about the role and importance of food banks and other hunger relief organizations in addressing hunger and bringing attention to the need to devote more resources and attention to hunger issues; and

Whereas, food banks and hunger relief organizations across the country, including the Treasure Coast Food Bank, are coordinating **Hunger Action Day** on **September 15th, 2023** and will continue to host numerous events throughout the month of September to shed light on this important issue and encourage involvement in efforts to end hunger in our local communities.

Now, Therefore, be it Proclaimed by the Board of County Commissioners of Indian River County, Florida that the month of September, 2023, be designated as "Hunger Action Month" in Indian River County and the Board encourages all citizens to exercise observance.

Adopted this 12th day of September, 2023.

Joseph H. Earman, Chairman Susan Adams, Vice Chairman Joseph E. Flescher Deryl Loar Laura Moss

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS,