

PROCLAMATION
Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week
November 13-19, 2022

WHEREAS, for the past thirty years, the National Coalition for the Homeless and the National Student Campaign Against Hunger and Homelessness have sponsored National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week; and,

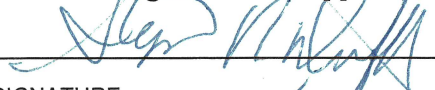
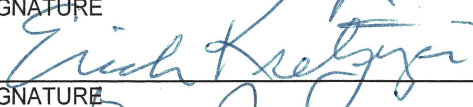

WHEREAS, the purpose of the proclamation is to educate the public about the many reasons people are hungry and homeless, including the shortage of affordable housing in Boone County for low-income residents, loss of stable income, changes/ instability of physical and mental health, substance abuse; and to encourage support for homeless assistance service providers, as well as community service opportunities, for students and school service organizations and community members.

WHEREAS, there are many organizations committed to sheltering and providing supportive services, as well as meals and food supplies to the homeless, which include but are not limited to: Assault Care Center Extending Shelter & Support (ACCESS), The Bridge Home (TBH), IMPACT, Mid-Iowa Community Action (MICA), Boone County General Assistance, The Hunger/ Homeless Prevention Coalition, Boone County Human Service Council, The Salvation Army, Veterans Affairs, Youth and Shelter Services (YSS), as well as various area churches and food pantries;

WHEREAS, there the focus of National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week 2022 continues to "Volunteer. Donate. Educate"; and provide for public awareness and solicit support.

WHEREAS, the intent of National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week is consistent with the commitment and dedication of the members of the Boone County Hunger/Homeless Prevention Coalition to educate the community and to provide the needed services and support to citizens who suffer from Hunger and/or Homelessness circumstances.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, We, the Boone County Board of Supervisors, do hereby proclaim November 13-19, 2022 as Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week in Boone County. We recognize that hunger and homelessness continue to be a serious problem for many individuals and families here and encourage all citizens to recognize that many people do not have housing and need support from citizens and private/public nonprofit service entities.

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