PROCLAMATION HUNGER ACTION MONTH

WHEREAS, hunger and poverty are issues of vital concern in Caddo Parish where 16% of people face hunger in Louisiana and one in every 4 children do not know where their next meal will come from; and

WHEREAS, the Parish of Caddo of Louisiana is committed to taking steps to combat hunger in every part of our community and to provide additional resources that those in Caddo Parish; and

WHEREAS, the Parish of Caddo of Louisiana is committed to working with the Food Bank of Northwest Louisiana 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, the members of the Food Bank of Northwest Louisiana distributed more than 15,000,000 pounds of food in 2024 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 fight to end hunger by taking action - including volunteer shifts, social media shares, and donations - to ensure nobody has to make an impossible choice between food and other necessities like medicine, utilities or childcare; and

WHEREAS, food banks across the country, including the Food Bank of Northwest Louisiana will host numerous events throughout the month of September to bring awareness and help end hunger in their local community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Caddo Parish Commission, meeting in legal and regular session this 4th day of September, 2025 that it does hereby proclaim September, 2025

'HUNGER ACTION MONTH'

in Caddo Parish, Louisiana, and urges all citizens to join with the Parish in recognition of this important month.

ATTEST:

Victor Thomas arliamentarian

Greg Young

Ken Epperson

District 11