



# Fremont County Board of Commissioners

## Proclamation

### NATIONAL HUNGER AWARENESS DAY

**WHEREAS**, in 2004, National Hunger Day was established to call attention to the growing problem of domestic hunger; and

**WHEREAS**, in the United States, 44 million people, including 13 million children, do not have enough to eat and do not know where their next meal will come from; and

**WHEREAS**, poverty, unemployment, low wages and lack of affordable housing are the leading causes of food insecurity in America; and

**WHEREAS**, Fremont County has a population of 49,621 and approximately 14.1% are considered to live in poverty; and

**WHEREAS**, in Fremont County there are many individuals and families who receive food assistance from local food pantries; and


**WHEREAS**, 1 out of every 7 citizens in Fremont County do not have enough food to eat; and


**WHEREAS**, there are 7 food pantries in Fremont County that distribute over 70,000 pounds of food monthly; and


**WHEREAS**, local food pantries are seeing a significant increase in the number of individuals seeking food assistance since 2023.

**NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE PROCLAIMED** by the County Commissioners of Fremont County, Colorado that Thursday, June 6, 2024, is hereby designated as Hunger Awareness Day.

Signed this 20<sup>th</sup> Day of May, 2024.

  
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District 1 Commissioner

  
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