

# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS,** one in six households in Louisiana are at risk of hunger. Across our state and region, the rising cost of food, housing, and utilities, coupled with high unemployment and low-wage jobs have increased the need for emergency food assistance; and,

**WHEREAS,** the St. Charles Parish Department of Community Services, in partnership with the coalition of food banks throughout the parish, is working together to call attention to the need to restock and maintain adequate food supplies in our local food banks; and,

**WHEREAS,** food collection sites will be established throughout St. Charles Parish to collect unexpired non-perishable foods to be evenly distributed to the local food pantries; and,

**WHEREAS,** food insecurity has become an increasing issue in St. Charles Parish. In 2017, the local food banks served approximately 13,447 people and approximately 4,230 families throughout St. Charles Parish; and,

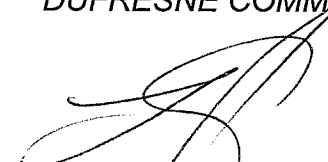
**WHEREAS,** let us all join together to help feed America by starting with the citizens in our own parish.

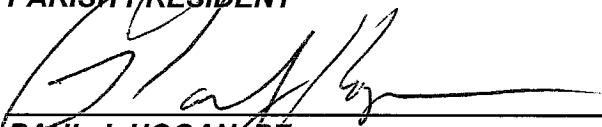
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** THAT WE, THE MEMBERS OF THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL AND THE PARISH PRESIDENT, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF APRIL 2019 AS

## **“NEED TO FEED MONTH IN ST. CHARLES PARISH”**


AND ENCOURAGE ALL CITIZENS OF ST. CHARLES PARISH TO SUPPORT THE EFFORTS OF THE LOCAL FOOD BANKS RESPONDING TO THE GROWING NEED FOR FOOD SUPPORT TO INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES IN ST. CHARLES PARISH.

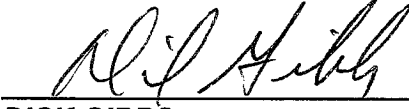
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** THAT THROUGHOUT THE MONTH OF APRIL, ST. CHARLES PARISH WILL HAVE COLLECTION BOXES FOR RESIDENTS TO DROP OFF NON-PERISHABLE ITEMS AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS: COURTHOUSE LOBBY, 3<sup>RD</sup> FLOOR OF THE COURTHOUSE, PLANNING & ZONING DEPARTMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, AND THE EDWARD A. DUFRESNE COMMUNITY CENTER.

  
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PARISH PRESIDENT

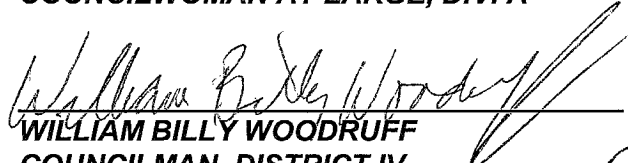
  
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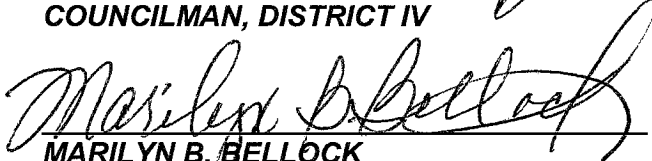
  
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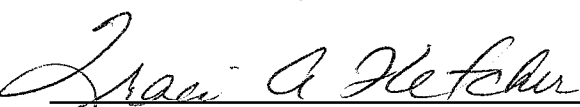
  
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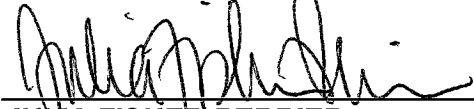
  
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