

Legislation Text

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PROCLAMATION DECLARING NOVEMBER 10 - 18, 2018 AS NATIONAL HUNGER AND HOMELESSNESS AWARENESS WEEK.

Recommended Action:

Motion to proclaim the week of November 10-18, 2018, as Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week.

Background:

People from all walks of life, including families with children, employed and unemployed workers, elderly residents, veterans, disabled individuals, and youth are impacted by hunger and homelessness. There are many reasons people are hungry and homeless including the shortage of affordable housing in Palm Beach County for very low-income residents. The theme of National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week 2018 is focused on bringing America home by eliminating barriers to accessing essential services, such as affordable housing, affordable health care, child care, education, and the costs of basic necessities that often contribute to hunger, food insecurity, and people experiencing homelessness on any given night in Palm Beach County.

Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week is consistent with the activities of the Homeless Advisory Board, Homeless Coalition, Homeless and Housing Alliance, Palm Beach County Food Bank and other service providers in Palm Beach County.