

## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, hunger and poverty are public health issues of critical concern in the United States, the State of North Carolina and the City of Reidsville with September being declared HUNGER ACTION MONTH by Feeding America, the nation's largest domestic hunger-relief organization; and,

WHEREAS, the primary mission of the Reidsville Outreach Center is to provide nutritious foods to families and individuals in need in Rockingham County, in a compassionate, nonjudgmental and indiscriminate manner while allowing these persons to maintain their dignity and individuality; and,

WHEREAS, the Reidsville Outreach Center and other local organizations are committed to engaging community members and organizations in addressing the problem of hunger and providing resources to meet the needs of our residents; and,

WHEREAS, inadequate nutrition diminishes the capacity of children to learn, exacerbates health conditions among seniors and others and saps the strength of working families with one in six residents of Northwest North Carolina being food insecure and the problem of hunger being even more significant among our children;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, John M. "Jay" Donecker, Mayor of the City of Reidsville, on behalf of the Reidsville City Council, do hereby recognize September as

## "HUNGER ACTION MONTH"

in the City of Reidsville and encourage our citizens, community organizations, businesses, and churches of all denominations to become involved and help support the work of the Reidsville Outreach Center.

This the 13th day of September, 2016.

John M. "Jay" Donecker, Mayor

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