

COUNTY OF GLADWIN PROCLAMATION



WHEREAS, On March 22, 1972, President Richard Nixon signed into law a measure that amended the Older American Act of 1965 and established a national nutrition program for senior sixty years and older; and

WHEREAS, Meals on Wheels America established the national March for Meals Campaign in March 2002 to recognize the historic month and the importance of Older American Act Nutrition Programs which are both congregate and home-delivered – and raise awareness about the escalating problem of senior hunger in America; and

WHEREAS, the 2023 observance of the March for Meals Campaign provides an opportunity to support Meals On Wheels programs that deliver vital and critical services by donating, volunteering, and raising awareness about senior hunger and isolation; and

WHEREAS, Older American Act Nutrition Programs – both congregate and home-delivered – in Gladwin County have served our community admirably for more that forty years; and

WHEREAS, volunteer drivers for Meals on Wheels programs in Gladwin County are the backbone of the program; and they not only deliver nutritious meals to homebound seniors and individuals with disabilities, but also provide caring concern and attention to their welfare; and

WHEREAS, meals on Wheels programs in Gladwin County provide nutritious meals to seniors throughout the county and help seniors maintain their health and independence and avoid unnecessary hospitalizations and/or premature institutionalization; and

WHEREAS, Meals on Wheels programs in Gladwin County provide a powerful socialization opportunity for millions of seniors to help combat loneliness and isolation; and

WHEREAS, Meals on Wheels programs in Gladwin County deserves recognition for the contributions they have made and will continue to make to our local community;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF GLADWIN, HEREBY PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF MARCH 2023 AS THE MONTH OF

MARCH MEALS

We urge every citizen to take time this month to honor our Meals on Wheels Programs, the seniors they serve, and the volunteers who care for them. Our recognition of, and involvement in, the national 2023 March for Meals Campaign can enrich our entire community and help combat senior hunger and isolation in our community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand to be affixed this 24th day of January 2023.

Karen L. Moore, Chair,
Gladwin County Board of Commissioners

I, the undersigned, being duly qualified and acting Clerk of the County of Gladwin, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the resolution adopted by the Gladwin County Board of Commissioners at a regular meeting held on September 28, 2021, and that notice of said meeting was given in accordance with the Open Meetings Act.

Karrie Hulme,
Gladwin County Clerk

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