



Proclamation

Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week

November 11-18, 2023

Whereas, for the past several years the National Coalition for the Homeless and National Student Campaign Against Hunger and Homelessness have sponsored National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week; and

Whereas, the purpose of the proclamation is to educate the public and advocate with and on behalf of people experiencing homelessness about the many reasons people are hungry and homeless including the shortage of affordable housing in San Joaquin County for very low income residents and to encourage support for homeless assistance service providers as well as community service opportunities for student and school service organizations; and

Whereas, there are many organizations committed to sheltering, providing supportive services as well as meals and food supplies to people experiencing homelessness including HOPE Ministries Inc., Second Harvest Food Bank, Love INC., Manteca Unified School District, His Way Refuge Center and many more; and

Whereas, the City Council of the City of Manteca joins communities across our nation to increase the awareness about the importance for emergency shelter and food security for those experiencing homelessness and hunger so that "Being homeless is not a crime" and food insecurities are met with compassion and enthusiasm in our community; and

Now, Therefore, I Gary Singh, Mayor of the City of Manteca, on behalf of City Council, do recognize the week of November 11, 2023, as Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week and urge all citizens to increase public awareness of the importance of supporting private and public nonprofit entities working to address the complicated issues of homelessness and hunger in our community.

DATE: November 7, 2023

Mayor Gary Singh

