



Waynesboro City Council Agenda Briefing

Meeting Date:	November 13, 2019	Staff/Council Member(s): Michael Hamp, City Manager
Agenda Item #	5	
Resolution#		
Department:	City Manager's Office	
Subject:	Proclamation November 16-24, 2019 as National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week	
Attachments	1. Proclamation	

Background:

National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week is an endeavor to promote education, action, and awareness about hunger and homelessness by the National Coalition for the Homeless. A representative from the Waynesboro Area Refuse Ministry (WARM) will be present to address Council on hunger and homelessness in the City of Waynesboro. Council is asked to present the proclamation acknowledging WARM's efforts to educate and increase citizen awareness of hunger and homelessness.

City Manager's Recommendation: Present the proclamation.

Suggested Motion(s): n/a

Attachment(s):

Proclamation

THE OFFICE OF THE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF WAYNESBORO, COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA



PROCLAMATION (P19-11)

Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week

WHEREAS, for more than 27 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, many Americans are living on the edge, forced to choose between basic necessities like purchasing food, paying rent, or going to the doctor; and

WHEREAS, 43.1 million Americans live below the poverty level; and

WHEREAS, 549,000 Americans are homeless on a typical night; and

WHEREAS, 42 million Americans are at risk of suffering from hunger; and

WHEREAS, 1 in 5 children in the United States live in poverty; and

WHEREAS, as this Thanksgiving holiday approaches, most people take time to consider what they're thankful for and donate some of their time, attention and resources to others; and

WHEREAS, as a society, we have the resources and knowledge to end hunger and homelessness, we just need the collective will to make ideas a reality.

THEREFORE, I TERRY R. SHORT, JR., as Mayor and on behalf of the Waynesboro City Council, do hereby proclaim the week of November 16-24, 2019 as Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week in the City of Waynesboro, VA. As the Mayor, I also call upon the citizens, government agencies, public and private institutions, businesses and schools in Waynesboro to recommit our community to increasing awareness and understanding of the hunger and homelessness problem in the City and educate the public about the many reasons people are hungry and homeless and the accessible services for all affected citizens.

DATED November 13, 2019

TERRY R. SHORT, JR., MAYOR
CITY OF WAYNESBORO, VIRGINIA