

**Before the Board of County Commissioners
Martin County, Florida**

A Proclamation

Declaring Stamp Out Hunger Day in Martin County, Florida

Whereas, every year on the second Saturday in May, letter carriers across the country collect non-perishable food as part of the nation's largest one-day food drive, distributing the donations to local food banks; and

Whereas, the Letter Carriers' Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive is just one example of how letter carriers work to make a difference in the lives of those they serve. Since the pilot drive was held in 1991, more than a billion pounds of food has been collected; and

Whereas, food collected during the Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive provides a critical supply for House of Hope and partnering local agencies who strive to empower Martin County residents to overcome hunger and hardship. Collected food items supply the four Client Choice pantry services in Martin County and expanding nutrition initiatives designed to combat the rising levels of obesity-related illnesses in lower income households; and

Whereas, it is important to note that all food collected in our community stays in our community and House of Hope supports carriers' efforts to help those in need.

Now, therefore, be it proclaimed by the Martin County Board of County Commissioners that **May 9, 2026 is Stamp Out Hunger Day in Martin County, Florida.** Further, the Board recognizes all letter carriers and local pantry services for their hard work and commitment to their communities.

Presented this Fifth Day of May 2026

ATTEST:

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