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Proclamation for National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week

**PROCLAMATION**

National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week

November 10 - 18, 2018

WHEREAS, Everyday there are men, women and children in Ann Arbor who do not have a place to call home; and

WHEREAS, There are people in our community who are at risk of losing their housing; and

WHEREAS, In Washtenaw County, and Ann Arbor in particular, there is a lack of affordable housing available due to the low vacancy, high rent market, which makes it difficult for those at risk of or experiencing homelessness to find stable, safe, and affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, In 2017, over 5,000 people accessed homelessness services in Washtenaw County; and

WHEREAS, In an effort to draw attention to the problems of hunger and homelessness, November 10 - 18, 2018 has been designated as National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week; and

WHEREAS, The Shelter Association of Washtenaw County, in partnership with other organizations, is sponsoring events during this week that will highlight the struggles of those experiencing homelessness in our community; and

WHEREAS, The City of Ann Arbor is committed to aiding the efforts of community partners to find lasting solutions to the problems of hunger and homelessness.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Christopher Taylor, Mayor of Ann Arbor, Michigan, do hereby proclaim the week of November 10 - 18, 2018 as National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week and encourage all citizens to recognize and support the efforts of providers who work every day to put an end to homelessness in our community.

I hereby set my hand and seal  
This 8th day of November, 2018

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Christopher Taylor  
Mayor of the City of Ann Arbor