



PROCLAMATION

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

- Whereas** September is nationally recognized as Hunger Action Month in which we cast a spotlight on food insecurity and hunger issues in our communities; and
- Whereas** over this past year, our community in Burlington and the Halton Region have been greatly impacted by the rising costs of living including inflation, higher rents and mortgages, and skyrocketing food costs. These conditions have made comfortable living unattainable for many families who are now regularly seeking the services of the Food Security Organizations of Burlington and their partners in our Region; and
- Whereas** the Food Security Organizations of Burlington and their partners have seen a significant increase in usage year over year, but we also know that they are only servicing about ¼ of those experiencing food insecurity; and
- Whereas** during this month, we want to encourage those who need support to reach out to the Food Security Organizations of Burlington, who are here to serve everyone in need with dignity and kindness; and
- Whereas** we bring this issue to the attention of neighbours, organizations and companies who can support the Food Security Organizations of Burlington through volunteering, financial donations, and spreading the word that food insecurity is an issue that we can all help to address, creating a better community for all.
- Therefore** I, Marianne Meed Ward, Mayor of the City of Burlington, do hereby proclaim **September 2026** as

“National Hunger Action Month”

in the City of Burlington and do commend its thoughtful observance to all citizens of our municipality.

Mayor Marianne Meed Ward

Dated this 15th day of May 2026

