



STATE OF MISSOURI  
*Proclamation*  
BY THE GOVERNOR

**WHEREAS**, hunger and poverty are issues of grave concern in the United States and the state of Missouri; and

**WHEREAS**, the state of Missouri is committed to taking steps to raise awareness about the need to combat hunger in every part of our state and to provide additional resources that the citizens of Missouri need; and

**WHEREAS**, the state of Missouri is committed to working with Feeding Missouri in educating people about the role and importance of food banks in addressing hunger and raising awareness of the need to devote more resources and attention to hunger issues; and

**WHEREAS**, more than one million individuals in Missouri rely on food provided by the Feeding Missouri members annually; and

**WHEREAS**, the members of Feeding Missouri distributed more than 162 million pounds of food in 2024 through its network of food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters, and other community and faith-based organizations; and

**WHEREAS**, the month of September has been designated "Hunger Action Month" in order to bring attention to food insecurity in our communities and to enlist the public in the movement to end hunger by taking action—including volunteer shifts, social media shares, and donations—to ensure nobody has to make an impossible choice between food and other necessities like medicine, utilities, or childcare; and every person in every community has the food they need to thrive; and

**WHEREAS**, food banks across the country, including the six Feeding Missouri food banks, will host numerous events throughout the month of September to raise awareness and encourage involvement in efforts to end hunger in their local communities.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, MIKE KEHOE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**, do hereby proclaim September 2025 to be

**HUNGER ACTION MONTH**

in Missouri.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, this 19<sup>th</sup> day of August 2025.



*Michael Kehoe*  
Mike Kehoe  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

*Denny Hopkins*  
SECRETARY OF STATE