

Proclamation

Declaring May 14, 2016 as Letter Carriers' Food Drive Day

Whereas, hunger affects millions of people nationwide, including millions of children, seniors and military veterans; and

Whereas, food pantry shelves filled from winter holiday giving are often bare in late spring; and

Whereas, in 2015, the National Association of Letter Carriers; "Stamp Out Hunger" Food Drive collected 71 million pounds of donated food which were distributed locally in 10,000 cities and towns across America; and

Whereas, in Washington State in 2015, 1.7 million pounds of donated food was collected by Letter Carriers; and

Whereas, in 2016, thousands of households in Washington State will struggle to provide enough food for their families; and

Whereas, the National Association of Letter Carriers continue to work to end the challenges of hunger in Washington State through its 24th Annual "Stamp Out Hunger" Food Drive; and

Whereas, on May 14, 2016, the second Saturday of May, Letter Carriers will collect food donations to be distributed to pantries and food banks at a much needed time of the year; and

Whereas, over 48,000 individuals will visit a food bank in Snohomish County alone; and

Whereas, Volunteers of America Western Washington not only provides food to those in need, they work with community partners and coalitions to leverage community resources, raise awareness, and support for our hungry neighbors;

Now, Therefore, I, Jon Nehring, Mayor of the city of Marysville, do hereby proclaim May 14, 2016 as

Letter Carriers' "Stamp Out Hunger" Food Drive Day

in Marysville, and urge all people in our city to join me in this special observance.

Under my hand and seal this ninth day of May, 2016.

THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE

Jon Nehring, Mayor