

## A PROCLAMATION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF SUPERIOR PROCLAIMING MARCH 2023 AS THE 21st ANNUAL MARCH FOR MEALS MONTH

WHEREAS, this year, Meals on Wheels programs from across the country are joining together for the March for Meals awareness campaign to celebrate its success and garner the support needed to ensure these critical programs can continue to address food insecurity and malnutrition, combat social isolation, enable independence, and improve health for years to come.

WHEREAS, Coal Creek Meals on Wheels has served Erie, Lafayette, Louisville, and Superior for over 50 years, delivering more than just a meal seniors, individuals with disabilities, and anyone in need who is at a significant risk of hunger and isolation; and

WHEREAS, Coal Creek Meals on Wheels provides nutritious meals to seniors that help them maintain their health and independence; and

WHEREAS, Coal Creek Meals on Wheels provides a powerful opportunity for social connection for hundreds of seniors to help combat the negative health effects and economic consequences of loneliness and isolation; and

WHEREAS, Coal Creek Meals on Wheels deserves recognition for the heroic contributions and essential services they have provided amid the COVID-19 pandemic, inclement weather, and other emergencies.

WHEREAS, the senior population is increasing substantially, and action is needed now to support local Meals on Wheels programs through federal, state and local funding; volunteering; donations; and raising awareness to ensure these vital services can continue to be delivered for years to come.

NOW, THEREFORE, I Mark Lacis, as Mayor of Superior do hereby proclaim March 2023 as a month celebrating Meals on Wheels and urge every community member to take this month to honor the programs, the individuals they serve, and the volunteers who care for them. Our recognition of, and involvement in, the national March for Meals celebration can enrich our entire community and help combat senior hunger and isolation in America.

Dated this 13th day of March, 2023

Mark Lacis, Mayor