

**PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY OF WHEATLAND, CALIFORNIA
DECLARING NOVEMBER 2023
AS HOMELESSNESS AWARENESS MONTH**

WHEREAS, homelessness is a challenge that has existed in Wheatland, across the state, and throughout the nation for many decades, impacting the lives of individuals and families, many of whom come from our own neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, Wheatland partners with numerous public and private agencies to develop solutions to homelessness that truly address the underlying situations for each individual who finds himself or herself homeless; and

WHEREAS, we recognize that many of those living on the streets are people from our own communities who fell onto hard times or endured other difficult situations that carried them into homelessness, and that it often takes the strength of the whole community to help them regain hope and independence; and

WHEREAS, it is important to educate the public about the many reasons people are homeless, including the shortage of available housing for very low income residents, and to encourage support for homeless assistance service providers as well as community service opportunities through mentoring and relationship building; and

WHEREAS, the people of Wheatland recognize that homelessness continues to be a serious problem for hundreds of individuals and families in the region, and that we as a community cannot stand idly by, as long as this struggle continues.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED, the City Council of the City of Wheatland hereby joins in recognition of Homelessness Awareness Month and encourages all citizens to be aware that many people do not have housing and need support from residents, as well as private and public service entities.

Robert Coe, Vice-Mayor