



**A PROCLAMATION PROCLAIMING MARCH 2026 AS THE
24th 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; and

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

Whereas Coal Creek Meals on Wheels works to address food insecurity and malnutrition, combat social isolation, enable independence, and improve health for years to come; and

Whereas, in 2025, Coal Creek Meals on Wheels served over 77,000 meals to neighbors in need.

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, food insecurity 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; and

Whereas, Coal Creek Meals on Wheels continue to serve anyone in need of a nutritious meal, regardless of their age, income, socioeconomic status, or other factors.

Now, therefore, the Town Council does hereby proclaim March 2026 as a month celebrating Coal Creek Meals on Wheels and urges 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 hunger and isolation.

Dated this 10th day of March, 2026.

Andrew J. Moore, Mayor

Attest:

Debbie Stamp, Town Clerk