## **OFFICIAL PROCLAMATION CITY OF MOORHEAD, STATE OF MINNESOTA**

- WHEREAS, hunger in the United States is an issue that affects millions of Americans, with about 48 million Americans living in food insecure households, or nearly 15 percent of American households, and approximately 5.4 million seniors (over age 60), or 9 percent of all seniors were food insecure; and
- *WHEREAS,* the Boy Scouts of America Northern Sky District Committee, its community partner, Gate City Bank, and numerous local agencies are working together on a community stewardship project to help those in need in our community, and help address the problem of hunger by collecting food donations, and
- *WHEREAS,* it is estimated that each week approximately 25,000 pounds of food are used by our area residents in need, and last year in 2015, this Boy Scout project yielded 21,000 pounds of donated food in Moorhead, Fargo, West Fargo and Dilworth, and surrounding communities, and
- WHEREAS, the area Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Scouting for Food Drive, March 12-19, 2016, with a goal of 25,000 pounds of donated food, will request area residents to place non-perishable food donations on front steps of residences the morning of Saturday, March 19 before 9am to be collected by Scouts throughout the metro area, and
- *NOW, THEREFORE, I,* Del Rae Williams, Mayor of the City of Moorhead, do hereby proclaim the week of March 12 19, 2016 as:

## **SCOUTING FOR FOOD WEEK**

in the City of Moorhead and call upon the people of this community to contribute generous amounts of non-perishable food to help feed our fellow hungry neighbors.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Moorhead, State of Minnesota, to be affixed this 14<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016.



Par William.

Del Rae Williams, Mayor City of Moorhead, State of Minnesota