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Resolution of the Chatham County Board of Commissioners

Proclaiming March 2019 as March for Meals Month

WHEREAS, on March 22, 1972, President Richard Nixon signed into law a measure amending the Older Americans Act of 1965 to establish a national nutrition program for seniors 60 years and older; and

WHEREAS, Meals on Wheels America started a *March for Meals* campaign in March 2002 to recognize this historic month, the importance of the Older Americans Act Nutrition Programs, both congregate and home-delivered, and raise awareness about the escalating problem of senior hunger in America; and

WHEREAS, Chatham County wishes to join this special observance of *March for Meals* and celebrate the work of the Chatham County Council on Aging, in its provision of congregate, home-delivered, and frozen and shelf-stable meals to address senior hunger and isolation and help seniors remain living safely in the community; and

WHEREAS, volunteers for Meals on Wheels programs in Chatham County are the backbone of the program as they not only help deliver nutritious meals to seniors who are at significant risk of hunger and isolation but also share their love and caring concern.

NOW, **THEREFORE**, **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Chatham County Board of County Commissioners that we proclaim March 2019 as *March for Meals* Month and urge every Chatham resident to use this month to honor the Chatham County Council on Aging and its volunteers in their service to Chatham seniors and their families. Chatham's recognition of, and involvement in, the national 2019 March for Meals observance can enrich our entire community and help combat senior hunger and isolation.

Adopted, this theday of	·
	Mike Dasher, Chairman Chatham County Board of Commissioners
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Lindsay K. Ray, NCCCC, Clerk to the Board Chatham County Board of Commissioners	<u></u>