

Proclamation

Borough of Bradley Beach

Celebrating the 40th Anniversary of the Bradley Beach Food Pantry

WHEREAS, the Bradley Beach Food Pantry, founded in October of 1982 as a joint mission of the Saint James Episcopal Church, the United Methodist Church of Bradley Beach, and the Ascension Roman Catholic Church , is celebrating its 40th Anniversary of continuous service; and

WHEREAS, the Bradley Beach Food Pantry operates under the guiding principle of “Serving our Neighbors in need with kindness, respect, and dignity for all”; and

WHEREAS, the Bradley Beach Food Pantry provides access to food Monday through Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and Thursday evenings from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and is entirely staffed by volunteers serving more than fourteen hundred families a month; and

WHEREAS, the Bradley Beach Food Pantry provides school children and Scout Troops an opportunity to serve their community and learn about the good that giving provides the giver; and

WHEREAS, the Bradley Beach Food Pantry provides food sufficient for a Thanksgiving Feast and for a Christmas Dinner every year to over five hundred families; and

WHEREAS, the Bradley Beach Food Pantry, in collaboration with Saint James Episcopal Church and with the generosity of the entire community of Bradley Beach and surrounding towns, provides Christmas gifts to over one thousand children each year; and

WHEREAS, “It takes a village” aptly describes the ethos of the Bradley Beach Food Pantry and its role in our community; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED, that October 7th, 2022 and all subsequent years shall be known as “Bradley Beach Food Pantry Day”.

Date: October 25th, 2022

Mayor Larry Fox

Council President, Tim Sexsmith

Councilman Randy Bonnell

Councilman Al Gubitosi

Councilman John Weber