

Proclamation



National Agriculture Day

March 21, 2023

WHEREAS, On National Agriculture Day, we recognize the unique and irreplaceable value that farmers, ranchers, foresters, farmworkers, and other agricultural stewards have contributed to our Nation's past and present. America's agriculture sector safeguards our Nation's lands through sustainable management; ensures the health and safety of animals, plants, and people; provide a safe and abundant food supply; and facilitates opportunities for prosperity and economic development in rural America; and

WHEREAS, Over the last year, workers and other leaders across the agriculture sector have stepped up to ensure a stable food supply in the face of incredible challenges prompted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Farmworkers, who have always been vital to our food system, continued to grow, harvest, and package food, often at great personal risk. Local farmers helped to meet their communities' needs by selling food directly to consumers. Small meat processors increased their capacity as demand for their services skyrocketed. Restaurants found creative ways to bring food to members of their communities. Grocers and grocery workers also navigated new models, such as curbside pickup and online sales; and

WHEREAS, Each American farmer feeds more than 165 people which is a dramatic increase from 25 people in the 1960's. Quite simply, American agriculture is doing more and doing it better. As the world population soars, there is an even greater demand for food and fiber produced in the United States.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Susan Gibbs Thomas, Mayor of the Village of Indiantown, Florida, do hereby proclaim March 21, 2023, as National Agriculture Day in the Village of Indiantown, Florida, and encourage all residents to join me and the Village Council in this celebration.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Village of Indiantown, Florida to be affixed this 9th day of March 2023.

ATTEST:

Daren Hamberger
Deputy Village Clerk

Susan Gibbs Thomas
Mayor