

RESOLUTION 26-46

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND COMMENDING THE WELL OUTREACH ON THE OCCASION OF ITS 20TH ANNIVERSARY AND HONORING ITS SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS OF SPRING HILL AND THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY

WHEREAS, The Well Outreach is a Christian food ministry dedicated to providing food, hope, and compassionate support to families experiencing food insecurity; and

WHEREAS, The Well Outreach was founded in 2006 by Andy and Amy Hudelson in the back of Wellspring Christian Church in Spring Hill, Tennessee, with a mission to serve neighbors in need by supporting spiritual, emotional, and physical growth; and

WHEREAS, during its early years the ministry operated as a volunteer-run pantry and expanded in 2008 to include Saturday mobile food pantries in local church parking lots to increase access to food for working families; and

WHEREAS, in 2009 The Well Outreach became an official 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization and launched the Jetpack Program, providing weekend meal bags to students receiving free and reduced lunches during the school week; and

WHEREAS, in 2016 The Well Outreach opened its first storefront location on Main Street in Spring Hill to meet increasing community need and to provide regular service hours and expanded capacity; and

WHEREAS, in 2019 the organization hired its first full-time Chief Executive Officer, Shelly Sassen, and began the annual Whole Hog Festival fundraiser which brings thousands of residents together each year in fellowship and community support; and

WHEREAS, in 2020 The Well Outreach opened a 7,000-square-foot dedicated pantry facility at 5306 Main Street in Spring Hill, allowing the organization to better serve residents with dignity, efficiency, and expanded services; and

WHEREAS, in 2022 the ministry partnered with the State of Tennessee's Our Chance program to provide family coaching designed to help families achieve long-term stability and economic independence; and

WHEREAS, in 2024 The Well Outreach expanded its service area by opening a second 16,000-square-foot facility in Mount Pleasant, Tennessee, launching a hydroponics program and expanding service throughout Maury County; and

WHEREAS, in 2025 The Well Outreach:

- Served over 23,000 pantry visits providing food to more than 100,000 individuals;
 - Provided 52,000 Jetpack meal bags representing approximately 280,000 weekend meals across 32 schools;
 - Distributed 425,000 pounds of food through 17 mobile pantries serving 5,440 families;
- and

- Coached 50 families toward greater economic stability through the Our Chance program; and

WHEREAS, the organization partners with over 30 grocery stores and multiple food banks, enabling every donated dollar to provide approximately eleven dollars' worth of food to families in need; and

WHEREAS, over the past twenty years hundreds of thousands of families in Spring Hill and surrounding communities have received food, encouragement, prayer, and practical support through the efforts of volunteers, donors, churches, and community partners; and

WHEREAS, The Well Outreach will commemorate its 20th anniversary with a Night of Hope gala on February 28 in Spring Hill and a community celebration later this year;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Spring Hill, Tennessee, that the Board hereby congratulates The Well Outreach on its 20th Anniversary and expresses sincere gratitude for its faithful service and lasting impact on the citizens of Spring Hill and the surrounding region.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Spring Hill recognizes The Well Outreach as an essential community partner whose compassion, generosity, and dedication have strengthened families and enriched the quality of life in our community.

Passed and Adopted by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Spring Hill, Tennessee on the 17th day of February, 2026.



Matt Fitterer, Mayor

ATTEST:



April Goad, City Recorder

LEGAL FORM APPROVED:



Patrick Carter, City Attorney