

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Aroostook County Action Program (ACAP) has served the people of Aroostook County for more than five decades with innovative, effective and impactful services that provide both a safety net for the most vulnerable residents of northern Maine and numerous programs that help advance the economic and social mobility of County residents; and

WHEREAS, ACAP connects more than 14,000 individuals across the cities, towns, plantations and unorganized territories of The County with critical services that create pathways to prosperity and economic independence, enhance housing security and stability, provide energy relief, create greater opportunities for children and families to succeed, and community members to lead more healthy and productive lives; and

WHEREAS, ACAP employs nearly 200 residents of Aroostook County, dedicating themselves daily to the continued fight on the War Against Poverty which was initiated exactly 60 years ago by President Lyndon Baines Johnson and paved the way for the creation of a number of entities, including Community Action; and

WHEREAS, of the nearly 52 years since ACAP was incorporated, and in the six decades since the Community Action movement was first introduced, no resident of Aroostook County has dedicated more years of service to this critically important work than Patricia "Pat" Good of Presque Isle, who is recognized for her dedication and service of 45 years; and

WHEREAS, Pat Good, in her work spanning nearly five decades with ACAP, has held key direct customer service roles in Family Planning, Health First, Child and Family Services, Early Care and Education, the Supplemental Food for Women, Infant and Children's Program, and general administrative support that has resulted in her connecting community members to all of ACAP's programs and services, therefore directly impacting tens of thousands of County residents since she first joined ACAP in January of 1978.

WHEREAS, now beginning her 46th year of service to the people of Aroostook County, through her work at ACAP, Pat Good, who has brought support, a lifeline, kind words, a caring heart, great sense of humor and compassionate approach to all she has served; and

WHEREAS, appropriately so, for a woman born on St. Patrick's Day, Pat has brought so much "good" throughout her career to her fellow residents of The County,

NOW, THEREFORE, We, Commissioners Norman L. Fournier, Paul J. Underwood, and William T. Dobbins, of the County of Aroostook and State of Maine do hereby proclaim March 17, 2024 as

Pat Good Day

in recognition of Pat Good's 45 years of work and dedication to Aroostook County Action Program and the people of The County

Paul J. Underwood William T. Dobbins Nor

Norman L. Fournier