



PROCLAMATION

*Loren H. Corder Foundation & Local Food Banks Appreciation Week
January 27 – 31, 2020*

WHEREAS, the Loren H. Corder Foundation, founded in 1988 to honor Loren H. Corder and to fulfill his interest in senior citizens' well-being in southern Pacific County, along with the Ilwaco Food Bank, operated by St. Vincent De Paul, the Ocean Park Food Bank, and the Chinook Food Bank, under the guidance of their current leadership teams, strive to assist others and have long supported nutrition efforts for senior citizens in our community; **and**

WHEREAS, food is a major expense for low-income individuals, and food insecurity contributes to housing insecurity and to homelessness; **and**

WHEREAS, local food banks serve everyone's interest in feeding the hungry, minimizing waste of food and other resources, and stabilizing markets for farmers; **and**

WHEREAS, in 2019, the Loren H. Corder Foundation undertook a major matching-gift fundraising initiative for the food banks, which increased the community's inclination to act on its most generous impulses; **and**

WHEREAS, all three food banks met and exceeded all match requirements, generating more than \$99,000 (most of it new revenue), thus earning the ability to serve many more people in need for the three South Pacific County food banks; **and**

THEREFORE, I, Gary Forner, as Mayor of the City of Ilwaco, do hereby proclaim January 27-31, 2020 as Loren H. Corder Foundation and Local Food Banks Appreciation Week, and ask all citizens to recognize the humanitarian work done in our region through the vision and leadership of these organizations.

PROCLAIMED, signed and sealed this 27th day of January, 2020 in Ilwaco, Washington.

Mayor, Gary Forner

Attest: _____
Stephanie Davis, City Clerk