

Proclamation

WHEREAS, up to 35% of all food produced is thrown away rather than eaten. Safe and nutritious food that is currently thrown away could help feed hungry people; and

WHEREAS, everyone benefits from better utilizing food resources; and

WHEREAS, a family of four can save an average of \$1,500 on uneaten food annually; and

WHEREAS, K-12 schools and universities have a special role in educating the next generation to reduce, recover, and recycle food; and

WHEREAS, we have the opportunity to save shared resources, like land, water and energy, used to produce and transport food that ultimately goes uneaten; and

WHEREAS, food in landfills decomposes slowly, releasing methane gas which contributes to climate change.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tommy Ruzzano, Mayor of the City of Margate, do hereby proclaim the week of April 1-7, 2024, as

FOOD WASTE PREVENTION WEEK

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the City of Margate to be affixed this 3rd day of April 2024.



TOMMY RUZZANO, MAYOR

Vice Mayor Arlene R. Schwartz, Commissioner Antonio V. Arserio, Commissioner Anthony N. Caggiano, Commissioner Joanne Simone