WHEREAS, malnutrition is a condition where there is an imbalance or deficiency of essential nutrients in the body, leading to adverse effects on health; and

WHEREAS, malnutrition can have severe health consequences, and manifest in several different forms. Addressing malnutrition requires a comprehensive approach that promotes further access to nutritious foods and healthy lifestyle choices; and

WHEREAS, Malnutrition Awareness Week aims to highlight the importance of early detection and intervention in preventing and managing malnutrition, which affects millions of people on a global level; and

WHEREAS, Malnutrition Awareness Week is a campaign that seeks to inform healthcare professionals, consumers, and the general public on how to detect malnutrition. Education on this condition allows for proper assessment and treatment, ensuring that patients receive timely and appropriate care; now

THEREFORE, I, Ned Lamont, Governor of the State of Connecticut, do hereby officially proclaim the period of September 18 to September 22, 2023 as

MALNUTRITION AWARENESS WEEK

in the State of Connecticut.