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Eat less, pay less to mark World Food Day

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For a schedule of World Food Week event participating restaurants in Salt Lake City, go <http://www.oneworldeverybodyeats.com>

To promote awareness of hunger and food insecurity, Mayor Ralph Becker has declared Thursday "Salt Lake City World Food Day,"

establishing the capital's largest-ever effort to observe the United Nations' World Food Restaurant owners have teamed with the mayor to offer special food items at a reduced price that patrons can afford. Part of the profits will go to each restaurant's favorite charity. In Utah, 9.7 percent of residents live in poverty, according to the Mayor's Office, while the U.S. Department of Agriculture estimates 5.1 percent of citizens deal with hunger.

The city is partnering with One World Everybody Eats, a nonprofit community kitchen that provides meals customers may not be able to afford.

Becker signed a proclamation Monday. On Tuesday, the public is invited on a walking tour of providers that begins at noon at Crossroads Urban Center, 347 S. 400 East. The tour includes Community Gardens, Hildegard's Food Pantry, One World Cafe and the Good Samaritan Center at the Cathedral of the Madeleine.

After Thursday's all-day restaurant event, a "Bioneers Food Security Panel" is scheduled at Westminster College at 2 p.m.

- Derek P. Jensen

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