

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 849 Session of
2018

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BRADFORD, SIMS, SOLOMON AND D. COSTA, APRIL 18, 2018

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
APRIL 18, 2018

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating May 12, 2018, as "National Association of Letter
2 Carriers Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive Day" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, On May 12, 2018, the National Association of Letter
4 Carriers will be conducting its 26th annual Letter Carriers'
5 Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive to combat hunger in the United
6 States; and

7 WHEREAS, The Letter Carriers' Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive,
8 held annually on the second Saturday in May, is the country's
9 largest single-day food drive; and

10 WHEREAS, On May 12, 2018, letter carriers in more than 10,000
11 communities in all 50 states and territories of the United
12 States will collect nonperishable food donations as they deliver
13 mail along their postal routes; and

14 WHEREAS, Each year, with the help of volunteers, donations
15 are delivered to food banks, pantries and shelters that serve

1 the area where the donations are collected; and

2 WHEREAS, The summer months are a particularly critical time,
3 when donations and supplies are low and school lunch programs
4 are not available for local youths; and

5 WHEREAS, Postal customers are encouraged to participate by
6 leaving donations of nonperishable goods in paper bags by their
7 mailboxes on May 12, 2018; and

8 WHEREAS, Partners of the Letter Carriers' Stamp Out Hunger
9 Food Drive include the United States Postal Service, the
10 National Rural Letter Carriers' Association, the United Way, the
11 United Food and Commercial Workers International Union, the AFL-
12 CIO, Valpak, Valassis and local food pantries; and

13 WHEREAS, According to the United States Department of
14 Agriculture, more than 15 million households in the United
15 States faced food insecurity at some point during 2016; and

16 WHEREAS, In 2017, letter carriers collected approximately 75
17 million pounds of food, which is the 14th consecutive year the
18 effort has exceeded 70 million pounds; and

19 WHEREAS, Since its inception in 1993, the nationwide food
20 drive has collected and delivered more than 1.5 billion pounds
21 of food to help hungry families; therefore be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate May 12,
23 2018, as "National Association of Letter Carriers Stamp Out
24 Hunger Food Drive Day" in Pennsylvania; and be it further

25 RESOLVED, That the National Association of Letter Carriers
26 and its cosponsors be commended for their humanitarian efforts
27 to stamp out hunger; and be it further

28 RESOLVED, That the residents of this Commonwealth be
29 commended for their past participation in the Letter Carriers'
30 Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive and encouraged to contribute to this

1 year's effort to feed the hungry.