
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 865 Session of
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WOJNAROSKI, YOUNGBLOOD AND D. O'BRIEN, SEPTEMBER 9, 2008

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
SEPTEMBER 9, 2008

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the work that Philabundance does in an effort to end
2 hunger and malnutrition in the Delaware Valley.

3 WHEREAS, The Philadelphia area is in a hunger state of
4 emergency; and

5 WHEREAS, Philabundance is the region's largest hunger relief
6 organization; and

7 WHEREAS, Philabundance was founded as a nonprofit food
8 distribution system in 1984 and works to end hunger and
9 malnutrition in the Delaware Valley by acquiring food and
10 distributing it through organizations to people in need; and

11 WHEREAS, Philabundance serves low-income residents at risk of
12 hunger and malnutrition, of whom 23% are children and 16% are
13 senior citizens; and

14 WHEREAS, Philabundance is supported by contributions from
15 individuals, corporations, businesses, foundations and religious

1 and civic groups; and

2 WHEREAS, Approximately 27% of the food produced in the United
3 States goes to waste each year, while millions of people go
4 hungry; and

5 WHEREAS, In fiscal year 2007, 24 million pounds of food were
6 distributed in this nation; and

7 WHEREAS, Hunger has many faces and touches more than 900,000
8 individuals in the Delaware Valley; and

9 WHEREAS, Philabundance provides food to approximately 65,000
10 people per week through its network of more than 600 member
11 agencies; and

12 WHEREAS, America's Second Harvest commissioned the 2006
13 Hunger in America Study, which reported that individuals
14 receiving hunger relief in the Delaware Valley increased more
15 than 100% in five years, from 2001 to 2005; therefore be it

16 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
17 work Philabundance does in an effort to end hunger and
18 malnutrition in the Delaware Valley.