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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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# HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 270 Session of  
2017

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MARSICO AND ROZZI, APRIL 24, 2017

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
APRIL 24, 2017

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Designating May 13, 2017, as "National Association of Letter  
2 Carriers Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive Day" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, On Saturday, May 13, 2017, the National Association  
4 of Letter Carriers (NALC) is conducting its annual NALC "Stamp  
5 Out Hunger" food drive to combat hunger in the United States;  
6 and

7 WHEREAS, This year marks the 25th anniversary of the nation's  
8 largest single-day food drive, which is held in all 50 states  
9 and territories of the United States; and

10 WHEREAS, On May 13, 2017, letter carriers will collect  
11 nonperishable food donations as they deliver mail along their  
12 postal routes; and

13 WHEREAS, The food will be collected in more than 10,000  
14 communities by letter carriers and other volunteers; and

15 WHEREAS, Donations will be delivered to food banks, pantries

1 and shelters that serve the area where the donations are  
2 collected; and

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

6 WHEREAS, Families must find alternate sources of nutrition  
7 and the food drive is one way to help; and

8 WHEREAS, Postal customers are encouraged to participate by  
9 leaving donations by their mailboxes on May 13, 2017; and

10 WHEREAS, Past sponsors of the NALC "Stamp Out Hunger" food  
11 drive have included the United States Postal Service, the  
12 National Rural Letter Carriers' Association, United Way, the  
13 Campbell Soup Company, Valpak, Inc., the Feeding America  
14 organization, Valassis, Inc., the AFL-CIO, AARP and America's  
15 Second Harvest Food Bank network; and

16 WHEREAS, Since its inception in 1993, the nationwide food  
17 drive has collected and delivered more than 1.5 billion pounds  
18 of food to help hungry families, and last year carriers  
19 collected approximately 80 million pounds of food, which is the  
20 13th consecutive year the effort has exceeded 70 million pounds;  
21 and

22 WHEREAS, Locally, letter carriers have delivered more than  
23 2.1 million pounds of food to Second Harvest Food Bank and its  
24 member agencies over the years; therefore be it

25 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate May 13,  
26 2017, as "National Association of Letter Carriers Stamp Out  
27 Hunger Food Drive Day" in Pennsylvania; and be it further

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

1       RESOLVED, That the residents of this Commonwealth be  
2   commended for their past participation in the "Stamp Out Hunger"  
3   food drive and encouraged to contribute to this year's effort to  
4   feed the hungry.