

# House Concurrent Resolution No. 28

## 98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE HOUGHTON.

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2       **WHEREAS**, Congress enacted, and the President signed into law, the Healthy, Hunger-  
Free Kids Act of 2010; and

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4       **WHEREAS**, under the new nutrition standards implemented in 2012, school meal  
5 programs have experienced increased costs and administrative burdens while struggling with  
6 student acceptance of new menu items and increased plate waste; and

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8       **WHEREAS**, as a result of the new nutrition standards, one million fewer students are  
9 choosing school meals each day; and

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11       **WHEREAS**, approximately forty-seven percent of school meal programs report that  
12 overall revenue declined in the 2012-2013 school year; and

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14       **WHEREAS**, school districts need relief from increasing operational costs associated  
15 with the federal mandates; and

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17       **WHEREAS**, Missourians would benefit from a more common sense approach to school  
18 nutrition:

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20       **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the members of the House of  
21 Representatives of the Ninety-eighth General Assembly, First Regular Session, the Senate  
22 concurring therein, hereby urge the Missouri congressional delegation to make changes in the  
23 Child Nutrition Act Reauthorization in 2015 to promote a healthy school environment for  
24 children, provide reasonable flexibility in the operation of school meal programs, maximize  
25 program efficiency, ensure overall sustainability of child nutrition programs, and encourage local  
26 school districts and school nutrition programs to work with local farm-to-table organizations  
27 where appropriate; and

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29           **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of  
30 Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for each  
31 member of the Missouri congressional delegation.

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