

ASSEMBLY CHILDREN, FAMILIES AND FOOD SECURITY
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION No. 152

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: OCTOBER 21, 2024

The Assembly Children, Families and Food Security Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Resolution No. 152.

As amended by the committee, this resolution expresses support for the annual “Breakfast Bowl” between Montclair State University and Rowan University, which aims to bring attention to the fight against food insecurity many residents in this State endure. The winner of the annual event, along with receiving a trophy, will have the privilege of determining whether New Jersey’s famous breakfast meat is to be called “Pork Roll” or “Taylor Ham” until the teams meet for the next year’s “Breakfast Bowl.” Montclair State University and Rowan University both operate food pantries that seek, in part, to provide fresh produce as part of their efforts to combat food insecurity.

With successful football programs that enjoy strong alumni connections and widespread stakeholder support, the “Breakfast Bowl” provides a unique opportunity for the Montclair and Rowan communities, corporate sponsors, State residents, and elected officials to come together in the fight against food insecurity across New Jersey.

This resolution also recognizes the significant contributions Montclair State University and Rowan University have made in higher education through academics, community development, and athletics.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

The committee amendments add language to specify that Montclair State University is partnering with the Community FoodBank of New Jersey in Hillside and Rowan University is partnering with the Community FoodBank of New Jersey in Egg Harbor Township to strengthen efforts against food insecurity and complement the universities' existing collaborations with their on-campus food pantries.