

No. R-291. House concurrent resolution honoring the Vermont Foodbank and designating February 6, 2020 as Hunger Action Day at the State House.

(H.C.R.240)

Offered by: Representatives Ralph of Hartland, Bancroft of Westford, Carroll of Bennington, Jerome of Brandon, Kornheiser of Brattleboro, Marcotte of Coventry, Morris of Springfield, and O'Sullivan of Burlington

Whereas, the Vermont Foodbank is the State's only food bank and reports that it annually distributes food to an estimated 153,000 food-insecure individuals, including nearly 34,000 youths and 26,000 older adults, and

Whereas, partnerships with food shelves, school-based programs, hospitals, meal sites, and other organizations are at the core of the Vermont Foodbank's ability to maximize its resources to feed as many food-insecure Vermonters as possible, and

Whereas, the Vermonters Feeding Vermonters program purchases fresh fruits and vegetables directly from local farmers, and the Vermont Foodbank uses this produce in meal servings distributed statewide, and

Whereas, Vermonters concerned about the continuing problem of food insecurity in our State are visiting the State House today, February 6, 2020, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors the Vermont Foodbank and designates February 6, 2020 as Hunger Action Day at the State House, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Vermont Foodbank in Barre.