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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 36

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SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Designates March 27, 2024, as "Anti-Hunger Day" in Louisiana

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2	To designate Wednesday, March 27, 2024, as "Anti-Hunger Day" in Louisiana.
3	WHEREAS, hunger and food insecurity affect more than 380,000 households in
4	Louisiana, impacting individuals and families regardless of age, race, or background; and
5	WHEREAS, Louisiana has the country's second-highest rate of child poverty, with
6	more than 234,000 food-insecure children; Louisiana's rate of food insecurity among seniors
7	is 4.8%, which is the highest in the country; childhood and senior hunger are of particular
8	concern in Louisiana, with many children and elderly citizens facing daily challenges in
9	accessing nutritious meals, which are essential for healthy development in children and for
10	maintaining the health and well-being of seniors; and
11	WHEREAS, Feeding Louisiana has demonstrated outstanding leadership and
12	commitment in the fight against hunger, working in collaboration with a network of food
13	banks and partners across the state to distribute food, support nutrition programs, and
14	advocate for policies that reduce hunger and improve food security; and
15	WHEREAS, the efforts of Feeding Louisiana and its partners are vital in addressing
16	not just the symptoms but the root causes of hunger, making a tangible difference in the lives
17	of countless Louisianans by ensuring access to healthy food for vulnerable children and
18	seniors among others; and
19	WHEREAS, despite the significant contributions of Feeding Louisiana, local
20	organizations, food banks, charities, schools, and community groups, the need for food and

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1 support in our communities continues to grow, highlighting the importance of statewide

- 2 awareness, collaboration, and action to address this issue; and
- WHEREAS, the declaration of an Anti-Hunger Day in Louisiana serves as a
- 4 powerful statement of our collective commitment to end hunger, raise awareness about the
- 5 issue and the ways in which every citizen can contribute to the fight against it, and
- 6 strengthen the bonds of community and compassion that define our state.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby

8 designate Wednesday, March 27, 2024, as "Anti-Hunger Day" in Louisiana; does hereby

extend heartfelt gratitude to Feeding Louisiana for its leadership and tireless efforts in the

fight against hunger; does hereby recognize the critical importance of the work to address

childhood and senior hunger; and does hereby encourage all citizens, businesses, schools,

and organizations in Louisiana to observe Anti-Hunger Day by participating in or supporting

activities and initiatives aimed at reducing hunger and improving food security in the

14 community.

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