## Resolution

ENROLLED HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1024

By: Bush and Perryman

A Resolution proclaiming Hunger Action Day in Oklahoma; encouraging Oklahomans to join in the fight against hunger and to support programs and policies that reduce hunger.

WHEREAS, Oklahoma is one of the hungriest states in the nation, with more than 632,000 Oklahomans who are at risk of hunger, including one in four children whose capacity to learn and grow is threatened; and

WHEREAS, Tulsa ranks in the top 25 and Oklahoma City ranks in the top 50 U.S. metropolitan areas for the highest rates of food hardship - with one in five residents reporting they did not have enough money to buy needed food over a twelve-month period; and

WHEREAS, hunger affects and diminishes the lives of everyone in the community and can cause physical, mental and social impairments; and

WHEREAS, last year the Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma and the Community Food Bank of Eastern Oklahoma distributed more than 1.2 million meals every week, the majority of which was distributed to children, seniors living on fixed incomes and hard-working families who cannot make ends meet; and

WHEREAS, the State of Oklahoma provides essential nutrition support to low-income people through the administration of numerous federal nutrition assistance programs; and

WHEREAS, all citizens of the United States can help participate in hunger-relief efforts in their communities by: 1. Making financial and food donations;

2. Volunteering; and

3. Supporting public policies aimed at reducing hunger.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 56TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT February 14, 2018, is hereby proclaimed to be Hunger Action Day in Oklahoma.

THAT all Oklahomans are encouraged to join in the fight against hunger by supporting Oklahoma's charitable community and by offering their continued support of programs and public policies that reduce hunger and food insecurity in the State of Oklahoma.

Adopted by the House of Representatives the 14th day of February, 2018.

Presiding Officer of the House of Representatives

## OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Received by the Office of the Secretary of State this

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