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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE RESOLUTION

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JUNE 30, 2014

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A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing September 2014 as "Hunger Action Month" in  
2 Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, September 2014 has been designated as Hunger Action  
4 Month to provide an opportunity for communities in the United  
5 States to unite to focus attention on the persistent problem of  
6 domestic hunger; and

7 WHEREAS, According to Feeding Pennsylvania, 1.82 million  
8 Pennsylvanians fight hunger, including approximately 536,000  
9 children who are nutritionally insecure; and

10 WHEREAS, The United States Department of Agriculture gathers  
11 information and provides statistics related to domestic hunger;  
12 and

13 WHEREAS, Hunger is a reality for one in seven Pennsylvanians;  
14 and

15 WHEREAS, Many United States households experience hunger and  
16 some people in these households frequently skip meals or eat too

1 little, sometimes going without food for a whole day; and

2 WHEREAS, Members of these households have lower-quality diets  
3 or must resort to seeking emergency food because they cannot  
4 always afford the food they need; and

5 WHEREAS, The costs of other essentials, such as home heating,  
6 gasoline, housing and medical care have increased significantly,  
7 and for families caught in the squeeze between declining wages  
8 and rising costs, the food budget becomes a frequent pressure  
9 point; and

10 WHEREAS, Utilization of emergency food assistance becomes a  
11 way for these families to keep food on the table while still  
12 paying the bills; and

13 WHEREAS, Food banks, food rescue organizations, soup  
14 kitchens, food pantries, faith-based organizations, businesses  
15 and individuals are donating time, raising funds and giving food  
16 to help their neighbors; and

17 WHEREAS, Individuals benefiting from the availability of  
18 donated food range from infants and toddlers, school-age  
19 children and adolescents to single mothers, single fathers, two-  
20 parent families, veterans and their families and seniors;  
21 therefore be it

22 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize September 2014 as "Hunger  
23 Action Month" in Pennsylvania.