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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2024

JOINT RESOLUTION

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$2,000,000 TO THE ELISHA PROJECT

<u>Introduced By:</u> Representatives Messier, Fellela, Alzate, Stewart, and Cruz

Date Introduced: April 24, 2024

Referred To: House Finance

1	WHEREAS, Thousands of Rhode Island families experience food insecurity at a given
2	point each year; and
3	WHEREAS, The Elisha Project is a 501(c)3 organization, whose operations center is
4	located in Pawtucket, is dedicated to combatting food insecurity in Pawtucket and elsewhere in
5	the Blackstone Valley and in the State of Rhode Island; and
6	WHEREAS, The Elisha Project is a movement that is focused on bringing diverse
7	communities together through service, sharing, teaching and learning - in order to make a
8	positive impact in all communities; and
9	WHEREAS, The Elisha Project is a community safety net that provides food and other
10	necessities to people who are in need every day, and as costs for families continue to be high, the
11	need for the Elisha Project's assistance will most assuredly increase; and
12	WHEREAS, The Elisha Project serves all aspects of the community, including providing
13	programming specifically for children, veterans, and families; and
14	WHEREAS, Since its founding, the Elisha Project has shared over twenty million meals
15	to deserving families; now, therefore be it
16	RESOLVED, That there is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not
17	otherwise appropriated for the fiscal year 2024-2025, the sum of two million dollars (\$2,000,000)
18	to the Elisha Project; and the state controller is hereby authorized and directed to draw his orders

upon the general treasurer for the payment of said sum, or so much thereof as may be from time

to time required, upon receipt of properly authenticated vouchers.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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1	This resolution would authorize the appropriation of the sum of \$2,000,000 to the Elisha
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