## SENATE RESOLUTION 8621

By Senator Fortunato

1 WHEREAS, The Bonney Lake Food Bank has been part of the community 2 since 2009 and in 2020 it expanded to a larger facility and made 3 innovations to better serve the community; and

WHEREAS, The new facility presented an opportunity to refocus the mission toward a modern approach to providing food security with dignity, so the rebranded organization is now called the Market; and

7 WHEREAS, With its mission to provide vulnerable community members 8 with food and other supplemental provisions without shame or stigma, 9 the Market is actively changing the narrative of food insecurity in 10 its community and the state; and

11 WHEREAS, The Market strives to embody its values of dignity, 12 equity, and access through this state-of-the-art facility, welcoming 13 customers into a grocery store-like environment that provides 14 nutritious foods and a comfortable shopping experience; and

WHEREAS, The Market strives to improve accessibility so customers can obtain services by visiting and shopping at the Market, picking up groceries at one of the 24/7 lockers, or with free home delivery; and

WHEREAS, The Market and Bonney Lake Food Bank also have other programs to serve the community, including the Backpack Program, which is a partnership with the Bonney Lake School District to provide lunches to at-risk children, and crisis support through local partnerships with the White River Community Outreach and Sumner
Family Center; and

3 WHEREAS, The Market's success would not be possible without 4 the generous donations and volunteers from the Sumner-Bonney 5 Lake communities;

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize 7 the Market, its CEO Stacey Crnich, and commend their efforts to 8 provide the Bonney Lake-Sumner communities with the reliable, 9 sustainable, and accessible Market Model to those facing food 10 insecurity.

11 I, Sarah Bannister, Secretary of the Senate,

12 do hereby certify that this is a true and

13 correct copy of Senate Resolution 8621,

- 14 adopted by the Senate
- 15 March 28, 2023

16 SARAH BANNISTER

17 Secretary of the Senate