

SR28, As Adopted by Senate, March 20, 2019

Senator MacGregor offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 28.

A resolution to commemorate March 20, 2019, as Hunger Solutions Day.

Whereas, The Food Bank Council of Michigan's mission is to create a food secure state through advocacy, resource management, as well as the collaboration among stakeholders and Michigan's unified food bank network; and

Whereas, Over 14 percent of Michigan residents regularly face hunger in their household and over 16 percent of our children do not have a consistent source of healthy, nutritious food; and

Whereas, The Food Bank Council of Michigan represents regional food banks that serve all 83 counties in Michigan; and

Whereas, Michigan food banks distribute food and resources to direct service agencies including pantries, after school programs, and senior centers; and

Whereas, These food banks coordinate outreach and educational programs throughout the year to promote healthy and responsible choices that affect hunger; and

Whereas, Michigan food banks organize the surplus donations from Michigan farmers in order to make available fresh, nutritious produce into the emergency food system; and

Whereas, The Food Bank Council of Michigan also coordinates the statewide food and fund drive, also known as the Michigan Harvest Gathering, which has secured nearly 79 million meals since 1991; and

Whereas, Michigan food banks are committed to increasing access to nutritious food through programs and food distribution services; and

Whereas, The Food Bank Council of Michigan advocates for policy in support of food security for all Michigan residents; and

Whereas, the state of Michigan can be proud to encourage the collaborative and innovative strategies which bring food security to families, individuals, and communities that are desperately in need of support; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we commemorate March 20, 2019, as Hunger Solutions Day.