

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2015-4627, by Representative Goodman

1 WHEREAS, In 2014, many households in Washington State struggled
2 to provide enough food for their family; and

3 WHEREAS, According to the United States Department of
4 Agriculture, 14.3 percent of the population of Washington State
5 experiences food insecurity, with 5.6 percent of those experiencing
6 very low food security; and

7 WHEREAS, Children are more likely to experience hunger than the
8 population as a whole; and

9 WHEREAS, In 2014, the National Association of Letter Carriers'
10 Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive collected 72.5 million pounds of donated
11 food nationwide, and distributed it to 10,000 cities and towns across
12 America; and

13 WHEREAS, According to Food Lifeline, in 2014, 1,697,265 pounds of
14 donated food were collected in Washington State; and

15 WHEREAS, The National Association of Letter Carriers continues to
16 work to alleviate the challenges of hunger in Washington State
17 through its 23rd annual Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive; and

18 WHEREAS, The food drive's 2015 motto is, "If we all work together
19 we can deliver a whole bag full of hope!"; and

20 WHEREAS, On May 9, 2015, the second Saturday of May, letter
21 carriers will collect donations to the food banks and pantries in
22 their communities, at a time when pantries start running out of
23 donations received during the holiday season;

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State House
2 of Representatives support the observation of May 9, 2015, as Letter
3 Carriers' Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive Day in Washington, and urge all
4 Washingtonians to join in this special observance.

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