

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Hunger remains one of the most critical issues of
2 our time, and the members of the Texas Association of Second Harvest
3 Food Banks are striving to combat this persistent problem; and

4 WHEREAS, Founded in 1986, this notable organization is
5 composed of 18 food banks from throughout the Lone Star State; the
6 association's members provide sustenance to people in need in all
7 254 counties in Texas and, in 2004 alone, supplied more than one
8 million meals; member food banks are all affiliates of America's
9 Second Harvest, which distributes food and grocery products through
10 a nationwide network and works to increase public awareness of
11 domestic hunger; and

12 WHEREAS, A recipient of the Texas Surplus Agricultural
13 Product Grant, which enables Texas growers to donate excess food to
14 help feed the hungry, the association also draws on its close
15 relationship with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice; Second
16 Harvest works with that agency to distribute surplus fresh produce
17 grown on prison land while helping inmates gain valuable work
18 experience and certifications; and

19 WHEREAS, Working to alleviate hunger is truly an admirable
20 endeavor, and the members of the Texas Association of Second
21 Harvest Food Banks truly merit the appreciation of all Texans for
22 the important work that they do; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
24 Legislature hereby recognize February 16, 2005, as Texas

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1 Association of Second Harvest Food Banks Day at the State Capitol
2 and extend to the visiting members of this organization a warm
3 welcome; and, be it further

4 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
5 prepared for the association as an expression of high regard by the
6 Texas House of Representatives.

Brown of Brazos

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 200 was adopted by the House on
February 16, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House