

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 122

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the Texas Association of Second Harvest Food Banks on the occasion of Food Banks of Texas Day at the Capitol, February 16, 2005; and

**WHEREAS**, The Texas Association of Second Harvest Food Banks, which was founded in 1986, is composed of 18 food banks that serve all 254 Texas counties; the member food banks are all America's Second Harvest affiliates and adhere to national standards for food distribution; and

**WHEREAS**, In 2004, the association's member food banks provided more than one million meals to Texans in need; and

**WHEREAS**, The association has formed a partnership with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice to distribute to the needy surplus fresh produce grown on prison land; this partnership enables offenders to gain work experience and certifications while providing valuable help to food banks; and

**WHEREAS**, The association has been awarded a grant from the Texas Department of Agriculture that enables Texas growers to donate surplus product to help feed the hungry; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby commend the Texas Association of Second Harvest Food Banks for its outstanding humanitarian work as we observe Food Banks of Texas Day; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the Texas Association of Second Harvest Food Banks as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 9, 2005.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate