

1 A RESOLUTION declaring February 20, 2019, to be Hunger Free Kentucky Day.

2 WHEREAS, one in six Kentuckians do not always know where their next meal will
3 come from; and

4 WHEREAS, more than 600,000 individuals in Kentucky rely each year on food
5 provided the Kentucky Association of Food Banks, whose members include Dare to Care
6 Food Bank, Feeding America, Kentucky's Heartland, Freestore Food Bank, God's Pantry
7 Food Bank, Facing Hunger Food Bank, Purchase Area Development District Food Bank,
8 and Tri-State Food Bank; and

9 WHEREAS, last year, members of the Kentucky Association of Food Banks
10 distributed over 64,000,000 meals to Kentuckians through its network of more than 800
11 food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters, and other community organizations; and

12 WHEREAS, farmers are offered a new market for surplus and Number 2 grade
13 fruits and vegetables by selling them to the Kentucky Association of Food Banks; and

14 WHEREAS, the Farms to Food Banks Program increases access to healthy food
15 among hungry Kentuckians while reducing the amount of food waste, by paying farmers
16 for produce that would not be sold otherwise and distributing it throughout the food bank
17 network; and

18 WHEREAS, the Kentucky Association of Food Banks is now known as "Feeding
19 Kentucky" in recognition of the importance of ensuring that no one goes to bed hungry in
20 Kentucky;

21 NOW, THEREFORE,

22 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the*
23 *Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

24 ➔Section 1. This honorable body declares February 20, 2019, to be Hunger Free
25 Kentucky Day.