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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 452

Offered February 18, 2019

Commending Food For Neighbors.

Patrons—Boysko, Barker, Dance, Deeds, Ebbin, Edwards, Favola, Hanger, Howell, Lewis, Locke, Lucas, Marsden, Mason, McClellan, McPike, Petersen, Saslaw, Spruill and Surovell; Delegates: Adams, D.M., Ayala, Bell, John J., Convirs-Fowler, Delaney, Gooditis, Heretick, Hope, Keam, Kory, Levine, Murphy, Plum, Rasoul, Reid, Simon, Tyler, Ware and Watts

WHEREAS, Food For Neighbors is an organization operated and supported by local volunteers and businesses who care about the children of their community, which is focused on helping students in Herndon and all of Fairfax and Loudoun Counties obtain a more reliable source of food; and

WHEREAS, Food For Neighbors' mission is to end child hunger in the Northern Virginia area by raising awareness and community involvement; and

WHEREAS, Food For Neighbors works with individuals from neighborhoods that have students attending local schools, distributing bags to be filled with food by partners that are then collected on a designated Saturday morning; and

WHEREAS, the bags that are collected by Food For Neighbors are given to the schools, then distributed to certain identified students every Friday via the school's Weekend Snack Program; and

WHEREAS, Karen Joseph began Food For Neighbors when she was PTA president of her son's middle school; she became aware of the high percentage of students participating in the free and reduced-price lunch program and their need for food over the weekends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Food For Neighbors for its important work helping students in Herndon and all of Fairfax and Loudoun Counties obtain a more reliable source of food; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Food For Neighbors as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the organization's dedication to combating hunger.