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House Concurrent Resolution 36

Sponsored by Representatives BUCKLEY, ESQUIVEL, Senator BATES

Whereas a small group of Ashland residents formed the Ashland Food Project, a door-to-door food collection association, in January 2009, to collect donations for the Ashland Emergency Food Bank; and

Whereas 140 neighborhood coordinators collect food from 2,170 households, which represents 24 percent of Ashland; and

Whereas the Ashland Food Project has delivered approximately 191,000 pounds of food to the Ashland Emergency Food Bank since June 22, 2009, the project's first day of collecting food; and

Whereas the Ashland Food Project currently collects about 20,000 pounds of food every two months; and

Whereas Talent and Medford have created food projects similar to the Ashland Food Project; and

Whereas the newly formed Medford Food Project has collected 22,700 pounds of food in just two days of collecting donations and already has more than 1,000 food donors and 100 neighborhood coordinators; and

Whereas the food collected by the Medford Food Project is divided evenly among 22 food banks and food pantries in the City of Medford; and

Whereas Paradise, California, and Olympia, Washington, are creating food projects similar to the Ashland, Talent and Medford Food Projects; and

Whereas the Ashland, Talent and Medford Food Projects provide a model for other communities to use to easily implement a food project; and

Whereas the Ashland, Talent and Medford Food Projects have already achieved the three goals that those projects had set for themselves: to provide a regular supply of food to hungry neighbors all year, to create new neighborhood connections and strengthen the community and to serve as models by which other communities may implement food projects; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon:

That we, the members of the Seventy-sixth Legislative Assembly, recognize, honor and celebrate the achievements of the Ashland, Talent and Medford Food Projects and their neighborhood coordinators, volunteers and donors; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution shall be presented to the Ashland Food Project, the Talent Food Project and the Medford Food Project as an expression of our appreciation.

Adopted by House May 10, 2011

Ramona Kenady Line, Chief Clerk of House

Bruce Hanna, Speaker of House

Arnie Roblan, Speaker of House

Adopted by Senate May 24, 2011

Peter Courtney, President of Senate